

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re : Chapter 11
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DELPHI CORPORATION, et al. : Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)
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Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)
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AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

I, Evan Gershbein, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that I am employed by Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC, the Court appointed claims and noticing agent for the Debtors in the above-captioned cases.

On March 2, 2006, I caused to be served the documents listed below (i) upon the parties listed on Exhibit A hereto via overnight delivery, (ii) upon the parties listed on Exhibit B hereto via electronic notification, and (iii) upon the parties listed on Exhibit C hereto via postage pre-paid U.S. mail:

- 1) Debtor's Objection to the Motion of Appaloosa Management L.P. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. Section 1102(A)(2) for Order Directing United States Trustee to Appoint Equity Committee (Docket No. 2629) [a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit D]
- 2) Declaration of John D. Sheehan in Support of Debtors' Objection to Motion of Appaloosa Management L.P. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. Section 1102(a)(2) for Order Directing United States Trustee to Appoint Equity Committee (Docket No. 2630) [a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit E]
- 3) Debtors' Statement in Response to Motion Directing Appointment of General Motors Corporation to Statutory Creditors' Committee (Docket No. 2642) [a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit F]

Dated: March 3, 2006

/s/ Evan Gershbein
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Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this 3rd day of March, 2006, by Evan Gershbein, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person who appeared before me.

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DEBTORS' OBJECTION TO THE MOTION OF APPALOOSA MANAGEMENT L.P.
PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 1102(A)(2) FOR ORDER DIRECTING UNITED STATES
TRUSTEE TO APPOINT EQUITY COMMITTEE

Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, debtors and
debtors-in-possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), hereby submit this objection (the "Objection")

to the Motion Of Appaloosa Management L.P. Pursuant To 11 U.S.C. § 1102(A)(2) For An Order Directing The United States Trustee To Appoint An Equity Committee In These Chapter 11 Cases (the "Motion") (Docket No. 1604), and the supporting declaration of John D. Sheehan, executed March 1, 2006 ("Sheehan Decl."), and respectfully represent as follows:

Preliminary Statement

1. Appaloosa Management L.P. ("Appaloosa") is a sophisticated financial institution that acquired all of its equity stake in Delphi at distressed prices in the few days after the Debtors filed their chapter 11 cases. (Appaloosa's Objections and Responses to Debtors' First Interrogatories and Documents Requests to Appaloosa Management L.P. ("Appaloosa's Discovery Responses" (a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A)), Resp. to Interrog. No. 10.)

2. On November 7, 2005, Appaloosa submitted a written request (the "Letter Request") to the United States Trustee (the "U.S. Trustee") seeking the appointment an official equity committee. (Sheehan Decl. Ex. 1.) Shortly thereafter, the U.S. Trustee asked the Debtors for their position on Appaloosa's request. The Debtors and their advisors discussed the Letter Request with their Board of Directors on December 7, 2005, and with the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Creditors' Committee") on December 9, 2005. (Sheehan Decl. ¶¶ 3-4.) As a result of those discussions, and after careful consideration, the Debtors determined that the formation of an equity committee in these cases was unwarranted at this time, and they so informed the U.S. Trustee and Appaloosa's counsel by letter dated December 19, 2005. (Id. ¶ 4 & Ex. 2.)

3. Apparently unwilling to await the U.S. Trustee's decision on Appaloosa's Letter Request, on December 22, 2005, Appaloosa filed the Motion to compel the U.S. Trustee to appoint an equity committee. On December 30, 2005, the U.S. Trustee filed a response to the

Motion (Docket No. 1682), which noted that the Motion was premature—given that the Debtors had not then even filed their schedules and statements—and that Appaloosa had also failed to present any evidence that an equity committee is necessary to adequately represent equity security holders' interests. (U.S. Trustee Response ¶¶ 16, 23-26.)

4. The Debtors propounded interrogatories and document requests to Appaloosa requiring it to identify and produce the evidence it has—if any—in support of its motion. Appaloosa responded to those discovery requests on February 21, 2006. (Appaloosa's Discovery Responses.)¹

5. In a prior ruling on a motion for appointment of an equity committee, this Court has held that "[t]he threshold consideration . . . is whether there is sufficient equity in the estate to justify the cost and expense of a separate committee. . . . I note that . . . the movants"—not the Debtors—"have the burden of proof, and it is their burden to put on evidence establishing, among other things, whether there is real equity value here." (In re Loral Space & Comm'ns, Ltd., No. 03-41710 (RDD), Transcript of Dec. 2, 2003 Hearing ("Loral Hearing Tr."), at 129:4-16 (a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B).)

6. So far, the only evidence that Appaloosa has identified—but which it has refused to produce—is a reference to a "preliminary recovery analysis" by Ronald Goldstein of Appaloosa, which Appaloosa says was "conducted . . . during the three months before Delphi filed for bankruptcy." (Appaloosa's Discovery Responses, Resp. to Interrog. Nos. 3 & 4 (emphasis added).) Appaloosa says that this "preliminary analysis" somehow "demonstrated" [sic] that "under certain [unidentified] circumstances Delphi has substantial equity value, based

¹ Appaloosa's "responsive" document production consists mainly of Delphi's own publicly-filed documents, two Forms 8-K filed by GM on October 8, 2005, disclosing an agreement entered between GM and Delphi Corporation on December 22, 1999, and a scattering of analyst reports apparently issued during the period between March 31, 2004 and March 9, 2005.

in part on Appaloosa's [undisclosed] proprietary forecasts of EBITDA and the [undisclosed] restructuring of certain [unidentified] employee benefit-related obligations." (*Id.*) This "analysis," however, is irrelevant to the question of whether, as circumstances exist today, there "is" sufficient equity in the estate to justify the costs of an equity committee. At most, it shows that, sometime during the three months before Delphi filed for bankruptcy, a single individual at Appaloosa—based upon a purported technique for forecasting EBITDA unique to Appaloosa and some personal views about how Debtors' employee-benefit obligations might be restructured—may then have thought that, in the event of a bankruptcy, Delphi's equity holders might ultimately recover something.

7. Although the Debtors have no obligation to prove a negative—namely, that common equity holders will not receive a meaningful recovery—that fact is hardly subject to reasonable dispute. The Debtors' schedules and statements, as amended (Docket Nos. 1854 and 1999) and the Debtors' monthly operating report for January 2005, filed on February 28, 2006 (Docket No. 2569), which reflect a shareholder deficit of approximately negative \$6.4 billion, as well as the recent trading prices of Delphi's public securities all evidence the fact that equity stands no realistic chance of any recovery. (Sheehan Decl. ¶¶ 5-7 & Ex. 3.)

8. Appaloosa also cannot prove that whatever equity value that may exist in the estates is sufficient to justify the costs of an equity committee. In fact, Appaloosa acknowledges that it has given no thought to the question of costs, for its Discovery Responses admit that "at the present time, Appaloosa has not conducted an analysis concerning the cost of appointing an equity committee." (Appaloosa's Discovery Responses, Resp. to Interrog. No. 5.)

9. Appaloosa also cannot prove that an equity committee is necessary to adequately represent the interests of equity holders. Appaloosa has identified no evidence to

overcome the presumption that Delphi's Board of Directors (10 of the 12 of whom are independent (Sheehan Decl. ¶ 8)) and the Creditors' Committee already adequately protect the interests of all stakeholders in discharging their duties to maximize the enterprise value of the Debtors.

10. In its Discovery Responses, Appaloosa also effectively concedes that it does not even need an equity committee to protect its interests. Appaloosa admits that "is able to retain counsel to represent its interests in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases" (Appaloosa Discovery Responses, Resp. to Interrog. No. 8), and it acknowledges that it has communicated with four other large institutional holders of the Debtors' equity securities about the formation of a formal or informal equity committee. (*Id.*, Resp. to Interrog. No. 9.)

11. Because Appaloosa cannot meet its burden on the threshold question of whether there is sufficient equity in the estates to justify the costs of an equity committee, much less to prove that the appointment of an equity committee is necessary to adequately represent the interests of equity holders, its Motion should be denied.

Argument

A. The Legal Standard For Appointing An Equity Committee

12. Section 1102(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code provides that:

On request of a party in interest, the court may order the appointment of additional committees of ... equity security holders if necessary to assure adequate representation of ... equity security holders. The United State trustee shall appoint any such committee.

11 U.S.C. § 1102(a)(2). Because the statute provides that the court "may" appoint an equity committee "if necessary," this Court has considerable discretion in deciding on whether to create a statutory committee of equity holders. *Id.* (emphasis added); see also In re Johns-Manville Corp., 68 B.R. 155, 160 (S.D.N.Y. 1986) ("Congress' desire to protect shareholders in

reorganization proceedings was not strong enough, however, to mandate the creation of equity committees.").

13. Those who seek the appointment of an equity committee bear the burden of proof in demonstrating to the Court that it should exercise its discretionary authority to require one. In re Williams Commc'n's Group, Inc., 281 B.R. 216, 219 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2002) (Lifland, B.J.). In determining whether the proponents of an equity committee have satisfied their heavy burden, courts in this District often take guidance from Judge Lifland's decision in In re Williams Communications, in which he concluded:

The appointment of official equity committees should be the rare exception. Such committees should not be appointed unless equity holders establish that (i) there is a substantial likelihood that they will receive a meaningful distribution in the case under a strict application of the absolute priority rule, and (ii) they are unable to represent their interests in the bankruptcy case without an official committee. The second factor is critical because, in most cases, even those equity holders who do expect a distribution in the case can adequately represent their interest without an official committee and can seek compensation if they make a substantial contribution in the case.

Id. at p. 222.²

14. In In re Loral Space & Communications Ltd., Case No. 03-41710 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Dec. 2, 2003) (Drain, B.J.), this Court surveyed the decisions in this District and similarly ruled that he who seeks appointment of an equity committee must overcome "a rather high threshold" and that "the appointment of an equity committee is the exception rather than the rule." (Loral Hearing Tr. at 127, 130.) This Court also identified "the threshold" question—and one on which the movant has the burden of proof—as whether "there is sufficient equity in the estate to justify the cost and expense of a separate committee." (Id. at 128.) In Loral, this Court

² In determining whether a debtor appears to be hopelessly insolvent, the Williams court further noted that no formal valuation is required. Instead, according to Williams, courts should reach "a practical conclusion, based on a confluence of factors," including, among others, an insolvent balance sheet, verified schedules of assets and liabilities showing an equity deficiency, and the trading value of public bonds. Williams, 281 B.R. at 221.

considered, with respect to that threshold question, "both the book value of the debtors, from their [publicly] filed SEC reporting, as well as the agreed upon range of trading prices" of securities. (Id. at 131.) While acknowledging that such measures of value are not perfect, this Court held that when "either method [leads] to such a substantial negative equity [ranging from negative \$230 million to negative \$620 million], I think it is clear to me that the debtors are insolvent as far as the common shareholders are concerned." (Id. at 132.) Based on that evidence, this Court concluded that "the gap is simply too large to justify the expense and disruption that an official committee of common shareholders would pose, given that the only trade off . . . would be di minimis recovery at this point by shareholders." (Id. at 132-33.)

B. The Debtors Are Hopelessly Insolvent And Equity Holders Cannot Expect A Meaningful Recovery

15. Although the Debtors wish it were otherwise, Appaloosa cannot demonstrate—and the Debtors cannot construct—a scenario in which the Debtors can be deemed solvent. This is largely because the claims associated with the Debtors' non-competitive U.S. legacy liabilities and burdensome U.S. labor agreements are generally direct claims against the U.S. parent holding company and are superior in priority to the interests of that entity's common shareholders.

16. That the Debtors are hopelessly insolvent is illustrated by the recently filed schedules and statements and the January monthly operating report. In particular, the January monthly operating report lists \$13.8 billion in assets and \$20.2 billion in liabilities, of which \$17.5 billion are liabilities subject to compromise, resulting in a shareholder deficit of negative \$6.4 billion. Included in the stockholder deficit analysis is the Debtors' interests in its non-Debtor subsidiaries.

17. The capital markets also consider Delphi Corporation hopelessly insolvent. As of February 21, 2006, all four tranches of Delphi Corporation's publicly-traded debt securities were trading at an implied recovery of between 53.0% and 55.8% of face value, Delphi Corporation's publicly-traded trust preferred securities were trading at an implied recovery of 24.0% of face value, and Delphi Corporation's common stock was trading at the close of business at \$0.33. (Sheehan Decl. Ex. 3.)

18. Appaloosa has neither identified nor produced any evidence that equity stands a chance of a meaningful recovery. Instead, Appaloosa's Discovery Responses and its Motion point to matters occurring before the Debtors filed their petitions. But the price at which Delphi common stock traded prior to the bankruptcy filings and the fact that the Company declared a dividend in June 2005 are no evidence that, as things stand now, equity holders are likely to receive a meaningful recovery under a plan of reorganization. For Appaloosa, it is as if the collapse of the out-of-court consensual negotiations among Delphi, its unions, and General Motors and the Debtors' consequent bankruptcy filings had never occurred. Simply put, Appaloosa cannot dispute but that the Debtors are hopelessly insolvent today.

C. The Equity Holders' Interests Are Adequately Represented

19. Even when recovery by equity holders is likely—a situation not present here—no equity committee should be appointed unless the proponent of one proves that its rights would not otherwise be adequately represented. For example, in In re Kasper A.S.L., Ltd., Case No. 02-10497 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.) (Gropper, B.J.), Judge Gropper held that even when recovery by equity holders was possible, the fact that the equity holders' interests were already adequately represented was enough, under the circumstances, to deny the appointment of an equity committee:

In the cases at bar . . . the debtors' prospects have improved to the point that there may be value for equity. . . . The real question is whether in these cases at this time, when it is not clear whether there will be any value for equity and, if so, what it will be, but there is a possibility, is a separate committee necessary to assure the equity holders adequate representation? The answer, in light of the facts of this matter, is clearly "no."

(Transcript of July 15, 2003 Hearing, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit C, at 70-71.)

The court's holding was based upon the safeguards in place ensuring that the interests of the equity holders would be adequately represented, including, inter alia, the debtors' "responsibility to equity holders" to maximize value of the estate. (Id. at 71-79.)

20. At the outset, here the Debtors and Delphi's twelve-member board of directors (ten of whom are independent, including two new directors elected recently), can be expected adequately to represent the interests of equity holders because they are charged with the fiduciary duty of maximizing the value of the estate for the benefit of all stakeholders. See In re Penick Pharm., Inc., 227 B.R. 229, 232-33 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1998) (Lifland, B.J.) (finding that managers and employees of debtor-in-possession had same duties as chapter 11 trustee, i.e., to maximize value of estate and ensure that monies that flowed through estate were used for benefit of unsecured creditors and other interested parties). (Loral Haring Tr. at 132 ("There's no meaningful evidence . . . that management is somehow laying down on its job in . . . obtaining the most value possible for the debtors."); Kasper Hearing Tr. at 72-73, 76-77 (discussing duty of debtors to equity holders).)

21. So, too, the Creditors' Committee's actions can be counted on to benefit equity holders' interests, for the Committee also has a duty to maximize the total value of the estate for the benefit of all stakeholders. Williams, 281 B.R. at 221 ("A higher valuation is in both the Creditors' Committee and the shareholders interest."); see also In re Leap Wireless Int'l Inc., 295 B.R. 135, 139-40 (Bankr. S.D. Cal. 2003) ("The economic interests of the bondholders

and the shareholders appear to be the same—that is, to find the highest realistic value for the company. And it is the fiduciary duty of the [Creditors' Committee] to do so.").

22. Appaloosa also has nothing to rebut the presumption that the interests of equity holders are already adequately represented through the Debtors' Board of Directors and the Creditors' Committee. Although Appaloosa's Motion insinuates—apparently upon the basis of selective newspaper clippings—that General Motors will run roughshod over other stakeholders' interests, it has offered no admissible evidence to support these claims. GM has taken strong exception to Appaloosa's charges. (Response of General Motors Corp. to the Motion of Appaloosa Management L.P. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1102(a) for an Order Directing the United States Trustee to Appoint an Equity Committee in these Chapter 11 Cases (Docket No. 1712).) In fact, GM now says that the protection of its own interests requires it to be seated on the Creditors' Committee. (Motion for Order Directing Appointment of General Motors Corp. to the Statutory Creditors' Committee (Docket No. 2443).) Notwithstanding its innuendoes, Appaloosa can never prove that "management is hopelessly conflicted or somehow otherwise not properly conducting their fiduciary duties." (Loral Hearing Tr. at 134; see also GM Resp., dated Jan. 2, 2006.)

23. As a highly sophisticated financial institution which elected to purchase its equity position in Delphi after the Debtors sought reorganization relief, which has the wherewithal to retain sophisticated professionals to represent it in these cases, and which knows how to communicate with other significant equity holders on matters of common interest, Appaloosa hardly needs an equity committee to look after its interests. Here, just as in Williams, "those equity holders who do expect a distribution in a case can adequately represent their own interests without an official committee and can seek contribution if they make a substantial

contribution to the case." 281 B.R. at 223. What Appaloosa cannot prove, as it must, is that the interests of equity holders will not be adequately represented "without the formation of an official committee." Id.

D. The Costs Of An Official Equity Committee Are Substantial And Unwarranted

24. Appaloosa states that the costs of an official equity committee are not a significant factor because of the size of the Debtors' cases and because the fees of the equity committee's professionals are subject to the scrutiny of the parties and judicial review. (Motion. ¶¶ 43-45.) This narrow view may account for Appaloosa's failure to analyze the costs of appointing an equity committee. In any event, Appaloosa's argument ignores the fact that the costs attendant to an official equity committee include not only professional fees, but also additional administrative burdens imposed on the Debtors and the costs of delay. (Loral Hearing Tr. at 136 ("The cost and harm to the estate, which is both direct in terms of dollars [paid to an equity committee's professionals], as well as indirect in terms of dollars spent by other parties and potential delay outweigh the rather negligible benefits of additional representation, given my conclusion that the preferred holders have their own resources and their own reasons for protecting their interests actively in the case.").)

25. Finally, were an equity committee to be appointed here—especially one that includes Appaloosa—it can be expected that such a committee will do whatever it can to achieve a recovery (even in the form of a "gift") for otherwise out-of-the-money equity. That exercise will itself delay the process and increase the costs of administering these estates.

Memorandum Of Law

26. Because the legal points and authorities upon which this Objection relies are incorporated herein, the Debtors respectfully request that the requirement of the service and filing of a separate memorandum of law under Local Rule 9013-1(b) be deemed satisfied.

Conclusion

WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request that this Court enter an order (a) denying Appaloosa's Motion and (b) granting the Debtors such other and further relief as is just.

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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

In re)	Chapter 11
Delphi Corporation, <u>et al.</u>)	Case No. 05-44481
Debtors.)	Jointly Administered

**APPALOOSA'S OBJECTIONS AND RESPONSES TO
DEBTORS' FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES AND
DOCUMENT REQUESTS TO APPALOOSA MANAGEMENT L.P.**

Pursuant to Rules 26, 33, 34 and 36 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, made applicable by Rules 7026, 7033, 7034 and 7036 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, Appaloosa Management L.P. ("Appaloosa"), collectively with and through certain of its affiliates, hereby serves these objections and responses to the Debtors' First Set of Interrogatories and Document Requests to Appaloosa Management L.P. served by Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, with Delphi, the "Debtors").

GENERAL OBJECTIONS

1. Nothing herein shall be construed as an admission by Appaloosa regarding the competence, admissibility, and/or relevance of any document, or as an admission of the truth or accuracy of any characterization or document of any kind sought by the Debtors'

Discovery. Appaloosa reserves the right to challenge the competency, relevance, materiality, and admissibility of any documents Appaloosa identifies or produces in response to any request at trial of this or any other action, or at any subsequent proceeding, of this or of any other action.

2. Appaloosa object to the Definitions and Instructions in the Discovery Requests on the ground, and to the extent, that they attempt to impose upon Appaloosa obligations and requirements beyond the scope of the applicable federal procedural rules, including Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 33.

3. Appaloosa objects to the Interrogatories and the Definitions and Instructions in the Discovery Requests on the ground, and to the extent, that such requests seek materials that are privileged and protected from production under the attorney/client privilege, the work-product rule, or any other privilege or immunity from discovery.

4. Appaloosa objects to the Discovery Requests to the extent they seek discovery of information outside of Appaloosa's possession, custody or control.

**RESPONSES AND SPECIFIC
OBJECTIONS TO INTERROGATORIES**

INTERROGATORY NO.1:

Identify every person you intend to call to testify at the hearing on the Motion and describe the subject matters about which they will testify.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections, Appaloosa has not yet determined what witnesses, if any, it will call to testify at the hearing on the Motion. Appaloosa intends to produce a list of testifying witnesses to the Debtors no later than five business days prior to the hearing, or when the Debtors produce a list of their testifying witnesses, whichever is later.

INTERROGATORY NO. 2:

Identify all documents you intend to offer in evidence or otherwise use at the hearing on the Motion.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objection, Appaloosa has not yet determined which documents it will offer in evidence or otherwise use at the hearing on the Motion. Appaloosa intends to produce a list of those documents to the Debtors no later than five business days prior to the hearing, or when the Debtors produce a list of documents it will offer in evidence or otherwise use at the hearing on the Motion, whichever is later.

INTERROGATORY NO. 3:

Identify every analysis you have done concerning the solvency of Delphi Corporation, including the dates it was commenced and completed, the person(s) who performed it, the conclusions it reached, and the bases for those conclusions.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections, a preliminary recovery analysis was prepared by Ronald Goldstein of Appaloosa. Mr. Goldstein conducted that analysis during the three months before Delphi filed for bankruptcy. The analysis demonstrated that under certain circumstances Delphi has substantial equity value, based in part on Appaloosa's proprietary forecasts of EBITDA and the restructuring of certain employee benefit-related obligations.

INTERROGATORY NO. 4:

Identify every analysis you have done concerning the reorganization value of Delphi Corporation, including the dates it was commenced and completed, the person(s) who performed it, the conclusions it reached, and the bases for those conclusions.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections, a preliminary recovery analysis was prepared by Ronald Goldstein of Appaloosa. Mr. Goldstein conducted that analysis during the three months before Delphi filed for bankruptcy. The analysis demonstrated that under certain circumstances Delphi has substantial equity value, based in part on Appaloosa's proprietary forecasts of EBITDA and the restructuring of certain employee benefit-related obligations.

INTERROGATORY NO. 5:

Identify every analysis you have done concerning the cost of appointing an equity committee, including the dates it was commenced and completed, the person(s) who performed it, the conclusions it reached, and the bases for those conclusions.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections, at the present time, Appaloosa has not conducted an analysis concerning the cost of appointing an equity committee.

INTERROGATORY NO. 6:

Identify every equity-holder of the Debtor with whom you have communicated concerning the formation of either a formal or informal equity committee.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections, Appaloosa has communicated with the following equity holders concerning the formation of either a formal or informal equity committee:

Steve Lampe, Lampe, Conway & Co.

Joseph Thornton, Pardus Capital Management

Chris Wilson, Stonehill Capital Management LLC

DC Capital, LLC, through Schulte Roth & Zabel

INTERROGATORY No. 7:

Do you contend that there is a substantial likelihood that equity holders of Delphi Corporation will receive a meaningful distribution in these cases, taken into account a strict application of the absolute priority rule? If so, provide the complete basis for your contention, including the identity of documents concerning your contention and the identity of persons with knowledge of the facts concerning your contention.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections, yes. Please see the Motion and the exhibits thereto, and the responses to Interrogatory Numbers 1 and 2.

INTERROGATORY No. 8:

Do you contend that Appaloosa is unable to represent its interests in these bankruptcy cases, either individually or through an informal committee of equity holders? If so, provide the complete basis for your contention, including the identity of documents concerning your contention.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections, while Appaloosa is able to retain counsel to represent its interests in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, as set forth in the Motion, any suggestion that individual equity holders acting on their own, without the imprimatur of official committee status, can otherwise participate meaningfully without disadvantage in any chapter 11 case of significant magnitude, no less one of this size and complexity, so obviously ignores the practical realities of bankruptcy practice as to be facially disingenuous. Absent official representation, equity holders will be effectively shut out of the process, through a practical lack of access to management and other necessary resources from the Debtors and/or through simple attrition, as evidenced by the fact that, as part of the "meet and confer" held on January 27, 2006, the Debtors indicated an unwillingness to share information that is necessary to protect shareholder interests.

INTERROGATORY No. 9:

Provide a summary (including the costs thereof and receipts therefrom) of trading or other acquisitions or dispositions, for the period January 1, 2004 through the present, in securities of the Debtor.

RESPONSE:

In addition to the foregoing general objections, Appaloosa objects to providing a summary (including the costs thereof and receipts therefrom) of trading or other acquisitions or dispositions, for the period January 1, 2004 through the present, in securities of the Debtor as such information is not relevant and is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

INTERROGATORY No. 10:

Provide a complete history of your trading or other acquisitions or dispositions in equity securities of the Debtors.

RESPONSE:

In addition to the foregoing general objections, Appaloosa stipulates that it purchased equity securities of the Debtors subsequent to the commencement of the Debtors' chapter 11 cases. The purchases were reported on the Form SC 13G filed with the Securities & Exchange Commission by Appaloosa on October 11, 2005. There have been no trades by Appaloosa in equity shares of the Debtors since the filing of the October 11, 2005 Form SC 13G.

INTERROGATORY No. 11:

Provide a complete history, for the period January 1, 2004, through the present, in your trading or other acquisitions or dispositions in claims against the Debtors.

RESPONSE:

In addition to the foregoing general objections, Appaloosa objects to providing a complete history, for the period January 1, 2004, through the present, in its trading or other acquisitions or dispositions in claims against the Debtors as such information is not relevant and is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

**RESPONSES AND SPECIFIC
OBJECTIONS TO DOCUMENT REQUESTS**

DOCUMENT REQUEST NO. 1:

All documents identified in response to the foregoing interrogatories.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections and pursuant to the "meet and confer" held on January 27, 2006, any documents responsive to Request No. 1 will be produced for inspection and copying.

DOCUMENT REQUEST NO. 2:

A copy of the direct testimony, declaration, or affidavit, including all exhibits, of each witness identified in response to the foregoing interrogatories.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections, Appaloosa did not identify any witnesses in the foregoing interrogatories because it has not yet determined what witnesses, if any, it will call to testify at the hearing on the Motion. Appaloosa will produce a copy of the direct testimony, declaration, or affidavit, including all exhibits, of each witness subsequently identified to the Debtors no later than five business days prior to the hearing on the Motion, or when the Debtors produce a copy of the direct testimony, declaration, or affidavit, including all exhibits, of each of their witnesses, whichever is later.

DOCUMENT REQUEST NO. 3:

All documents substantiating the contentions you make in or that otherwise support your Motion.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections and pursuant to the "meet and confer" held on January 27, 2006, any documents responsive to Request No. 3 will be produced for inspection and copying.

DOCUMENT REQUEST NO. 4:

Copies of your communications with other equity holders of the Debtors concerning the Debtors.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections and pursuant to the "meet and confer" held on January 27, 2006, any documents responsive to Request No. 4 will be produced for inspection and copying.

DOCUMENT REQUEST NO. 5:

Copies of your communications with other debt holders of the Debtors concerning the Debtors.

RESPONSE:

In addition to the foregoing general objections, Appaloosa objects to providing copies of its communications with other debt holders of the Debtors concerning the Debtors as such information is not relevant and is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

DOCUMENT REQUEST NO. 6:

Copies of your communications with other holders of claims against the Debtors concerning the Debtors.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections, Appaloosa objects to providing copies of its communications with other holders of claims against the Debtors concerning the Debtors as such information is not relevant and is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

DOCUMENT REQUEST NO. 7:

Documents substantiating your contention that you are not able to protect your own interests in these cases.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections and pursuant to the "meet and confer" held on January 27, 2006, any documents responsive to Request No. 7 will be produced for inspection and copying.

DOCUMENT REQUEST NO. 8:

All documents substantiating your contention that the Debtors do not appear to be hopelessly insolvent.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections and pursuant to the "meet and confer" held on January 27, 2006, any documents responsive to Request No. 8 will be produced for inspection and copying.

DOCUMENT REQUEST NO. 9

All documents upon which any of your expert witnesses intend to rely.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections, at the present time, Appaloosa has not yet determined the documents upon which its experts intend to rely. Appaloosa intends to produce a list of these documents to the Debtors no later than five business days prior to the hearing, or when the Debtors produce a list of the documents upon which their experts intend to rely, whichever is later.

DOCUMENT REQUEST NO. 10:

All documents you considered in purchasing or selling equity securities of Delphi Corporation during 2005.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections and pursuant to the "meet and confer" held on January 27, 2006, any documents responsive to Request No. 10 will be produced for inspection and copying.

DOCUMENT REQUEST NO. 11:

All documents you considered in purchasing or selling debt securities of Delphi Corporation during 2005.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections and pursuant to the "meet and confer" held on January 27, 2006, any documents responsive to Request No. 11 will be produced for inspection and copying.

DOCUMENT REQUEST NO. 12:

All documents you considered in purchasing or selling claims against the Debtors.

RESPONSE:

Without waiving the foregoing general objections and pursuant to the "meet and confer" held on January 27, 2006, any documents responsive to Request No. 12 will be produced for inspection and copying.

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I certify that on this 21 day of February, 2006, the foregoing APPALOOSA'S OBJECTIONS AND RESPONSES TO DEBTORS' FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES AND DOCUMENT REQUESTS TO APPALOOSA MANAGEMENT L.P. was sent by email and by overnight mail to the counsel for the Debtors.

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Exhibit B

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5 In the Matter of

6 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS 03-41710 (RDD),
7 LTD., et al., 03-41709 to
03-41728

8 Debtors.
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10 December 2, 2003
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16 HEARING pursuant to matters listed on
17 agenda.

18 B E F O R E:

19 HON. ROBERT D. DRAIN,
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2 APPEARANCES - continued 3 4 SCHIFF HARDIN & WAITE 5 Attorneys for Shareholders of 6 Loral space and Communications, LTD 7 6600 Sears Tower 8 Chicago, Illinois 60606 9 BY: MICHAEL YETNIKOFF, ESQ. 10 11 KELLY DRYE & WARREN LLP 12 Attorneys for HSBC Bank USA 13 as Trustee 14 101 Park Avenue 15 New York, New York 10178 16 BY: MARK R. SOMERSTEIN, ESQ. 17 18 CAROLYN S. SCHWARTZ 19 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE 20 OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE 21 33 Whitehall Street 22 New York, New York 10004 23 BY: LAUREN LANDSBAUM, ESQ. 24 of Counsel 25	3 1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 it were, in the event that the circumstances 3 changed in a particular way, that is with regard to 4 the Intelsat auction and the circumstances 5 surrounding that. 6 In fact, circumstances have changed 7 in a way that perhaps none of the parties foresaw 8 at that time. What changed is that this company 9 seems to have experienced a very unusual and 10 significant turn around in the course of this 11 Chapter 11. Back in September, the company was in 12 some danger of ceasing to do business, at least 13 with respect to the SS/L business. That situation 14 has turned around rather dramatically. In 15 September there was a pending potential for a sale 16 of certain satellite of Intelsat, but by no means 17 of certainty that sale now looks likely to close 18 and for a price that is in 3 hundred million 19 dollars in excess of the book value of assets being 20 sold. 21 Moreover, since September, analyst's 22 opinions have been promulgated to the effect that 23 the entire industries is experiencing a turn 24 around. Therefore this appears to be the 25 relatively unusual case of a company turning around

<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 almost 180 degrees during the course of a Chapter 3 11 bankruptcy due to changes in business 4 circumstances. And we submit that those changes 5 justify, that means they require appointment of an 6 official shareholders' committee to represent the 7 interests of common shareholders. 8 The Intelsat sale, which is the 9 cornerstone of the company strategy, is expected to 10 close. That sale will pay down all of the 11 companies' secured debt. The book value of the 12 assets sold, approximately 805 million dollars, as 13 set forth in Loral's last form 10-Q. The value 14 that the company has placed on the sale, 1.1 15 billion dollars, a 3 hundred million dollar premium 16 over the book value of the assets. To the extent 17 that book value is relevant, and to the extent that 18 there was a book value solvency gap as posited by 19 the creditors' committee, that 3 hundred million 20 difference closes that gap to zero; and the 1.1 21 billion dollar value that the debtor has ascribed 22 to the sale, as I said is in excess -- as I said, 23 does not include the value of additional satellite 24 orders that Intelsat and affiliates have placed. 25 There is another significant benefit</p>	<p>6 1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 solvencies gap. Second, the company, on November 3 26th, filed a schedule of assets and liabilities. 4 And a simple reading of that schedule filed on 5 November 26th shows that for the parent company, 6 Loral Space and Communications Limited, assets of 7 2.6 billion dollars and liabilities at 1.5 billion 8 dollars, that is simple transcribed from the 9 finding that was made on the 26th of November. So, 10 we've had analysis that I realize of course that 11 there are consolidation issues with respect to 12 that, but even on a very cursory analysis of the 13 book value numbers, there appears to be no solvency 14 gap, certainly the company is not hopelessly 15 insolvent, and in fact appears to be quite solvent. 16 The second change of circumstances 17 since September, is Loral's receipt for new 18 satellite orders with options for a 5th satellite 19 order. That will keep the SS/L business afloat, 20 demonstrates that the SS/L business is an excellent 21 business; Loral is one of the very very few 22 suppliers of the state of the art satellites. Even 23 in light of its financial difficulties, the markets 24 have shown that they have enormous respect for the 25 SS/L business and have placed significant orders,</p>
<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 from the sale that removes the secured debt thereby 3 giving this company significantly more options to 4 with respect to exit financing and capital 5 structure upon emergence; that is a major and 6 perhaps underrated benefit. It is now a whole lot 7 easier for the company to emerge with a plan that 8 has a reasonably leveraged capital structure, and 9 that's a tremendous benefit in my view. 10 Another important fact of the 11 satellite sale is it appears to not only leave 12 Loral with a high margin high growth markets 13 outside of North America, as has been set forth in 14 testimony before this court, but in addition with 15 orbital slots that the company could use to place 16 other satellites which it builds to serve the north 17 American market as well, so there is a very 18 reasonable scenario where this company could be 19 completely reconstituted within a reasonable period 20 of time to its former self with the difference of 21 having paid out off all its secured debt. 22 Although book value, which is not 23 determinative of solvency, there are a couple of 24 arguments to be made, first of all with respect to 25 the 3 hundred million dollars closure of the</p>	<p>7 1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 and one will only expect that situation to improve 3 as the expected turn around in the satellite 4 industry begins to gather steam, Loral is very well 5 positioned to take advantage of that. 6 The third change of circumstance is 7 the recognition, as indicated in the public press 8 reports, that this industry is, in fact, turning 9 around. There is an expectation, for example, for 10 additional demand for high definition television 11 which would require additional satellites. And as 12 I said, there are not very many competitors that 13 Loral has as a viable vibrant business. And is 14 simply a company that is not only on the verge, but 15 in fact has begin its turn around. 16 The other circumstances surrounding 17 this case, with one exception, haven't changed, and 18 they all favor appointment of an official 19 shareholders committee. Loral's common stock is 20 still widely held, still actively traded. This is 21 still a large and complex case, and Loral's common 22 shareholders interests are still not adequately 23 represented. Management has a fiduciary duty to 24 all constituencies in this case, it has to engage 25 in a juggling act between its creditors and its</p>

<p>10</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 shareholders, and also management has certain 3 economic interests that are personal to the 4 management members, none of which are congruent with 5 the common shareholders interest. Moreover the 6 shareholders cannot represent themselves. The 7 individual shareholders are small, widely 8 scattered, they don't have the funds to represent 9 themselves, and moreover, they don't have the 10 standing to represent themselves. And I think 11 that's demonstrated by the fact that I, on behalf 12 of the shareholders, requested under 13 confidentiality agreement, to view certain 14 projections that the company had apparently made, 15 perhaps not final objections, I really don't know 16 what status they are in. The company declined to 17 provide that information. I submit that had an 18 official shareholders committee been appointed, 19 that information would certainly have been shared 20 with an official shareholders committee, it was not 21 shared with the individual shareholders. I'm 22 simply pointing out the fact that individual 23 shareholders don't have the status, don't have the 24 ability to gain information, or to use it for that 25 matter, in the same way as an official committee.</p>	<p>12</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 the common shareholders at the end of the day. And 3 I would submit that the probability is significant 4 enough to warrant the appointment of an official 5 shareholders committee in this case, and to give 6 the shareholders the chance to participate in this 7 turn around to the extent economically justifies. 8 THE COURT: Let me ask you. The 9 shareholders that you represent, are they still the 10 shareholders that were listed on the schedule 11 attached to your original motion? 12 MR. YETNIKOFF: That is correct. 13 THE COURT: And they constitute, 14 what, about -- 15 MR. YETNIKOFF: We have something in 16 the order of 2 million shares. 17 THE COURT: And that's what percent 18 of the total? 19 MR. YETNIKOFF: Something around 20 five percent. 21 THE COURT: And what is your factual 22 basis for saying that the stock is very widely 23 held? 24 MR. YETNIKOFF: I have seen trading 25 volumes on the publically available bulletin boards</p>
<p>11</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 There simply is no substitute for official 3 committee representation. 4 Finally, the one other surrounding 5 circumstance that has changed is the fact that the 6 company has announced that it does intend to 7 present reasonably viable projections, circulate 8 those to the creditors' committee, and begin the 9 plan of reorganization or negotiating process 10 within the next few weeks. And in order for 11 shareholders to be fairly represented, this is the 12 time to do it. The appointment process will no 13 doubt take a few weeks, and by the time a committee 14 is appointed, if the companies timetable is 15 correct, the plan negotiations will be starting. 16 So effectively, this is, while not quite the last 17 minute, really the last best chance for 18 shareholders to obtain a seat at the table. 19 In summary, this is an unusual case, 20 an unusual case where the facts on the ground of 21 business realities appear to have changed where the 22 company is not hopelessly insolvent as a matter 23 of book value, and not hopelessly insolvent as a 24 matter of its business case; a case where it does 25 appear that there may well be significant value for</p>	<p>13</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 that track that. I don't believe there's any 3 contest about the fact that the company -- I 4 believe that neither the company nor the U.S. 5 Trustee nor the creditors committee has disputed 6 that this common stock is widely held. There is an 7 active message board for stockholders. So based on 8 the fact that that assertion has not been 9 controverted and the fact that the stock continues 10 to trade as publically reported on the internet, I 11 conclude that the stock does continue to be widely 12 held. 13 THE COURT: What is your reaction to 14 the point raised by Aspen Advisors that if a 15 committee is appointed it should be weighted in 16 favor of preferred shareholders and/or that there 17 should be two committees? 18 MR. YETNIKOFF: My response is 19 first, that we would have no objection to two 20 committees. 21 THE COURT: Well, let's assume that 22 there's one committee. 23 MR. YETNIKOFF: Assuming that 24 there's one committee, my view is as follows: The 25 common shareholders committee has an interest</p>

<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 completely aligned with the preferred shareholders 3 in making sure that the preferred shareholders are 4 paid in full their legal entitlements, because the 5 common shareholders don't get a penny until the 6 preferred shareholders are paid whatever they are 7 in entitled to. So the common shareholders have a 8 complete total incentive to pay the preferred 9 shareholders every penny that they are entitled to. 10 On the other hand, the preferred shareholders have 11 an incentive to get themselves paid but have no 12 incentive to have the valuing move down to common. 13 So while the common shareholders can, I believe, 14 fairly and completely protect the interests 15 preferred shareholders, the preferred shareholders 16 do not have the same incentive to protect the 17 interest of common; moreover, I'm not sure whether 18 or not the preferred stock is either widely held or 19 actively traded, and that is another reason not to 20 weight the committee towards appointment towards 21 preferred shareholders. And finally, if the 22 business does turn around and this turn around is 23 real, it's not just a matter of a value split of 24 one hundred million dollars or so or 2 hundred 25 million dollars worth of preferred. If the company</p>	<p>14</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 preferred shareholders, you represent Aspen 3 Advisors?</p> <p>4 MR. WOLFSON: That's correct. We 5 represent Aspen Advisors and there are, I believe, 6 a few others that have hooked up with Aspen 7 Advisors through our office -- I shouldn't say they 8 hooked up with Aspen Advisors, but we are 9 representing a number of preferred shareholders who 10 in the aggregate hold 23 percent of the outstanding 11 shares. There are approximately 4 and a half 12 million shares outstanding having a liquidation 13 preference with accrued and unpaid interest of 14 approximately 237 million dollars. The 23 percent 15 that we own represents that portion of 237 million, 16 and I believe mathematically there is about 185 17 million dollars worth that is scattered among the 18 public. These two series of preferred shares were 19 also publically trading, do publically trade, still 20 publically trade. We have been unable to -- other 21 than the handful that we have found that have the 22 more significant pieces, the balance of it, as far 23 as we are able to ascertain, is widely scattered 24 and held. We do not have the exact count, but no 25 other larger shareholders appear, there are no five</p>
<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 turns around, it will be a radical turn around. 3 The satellite, the FSS business is an extremely 4 high margin business. And my belief is in fact if 5 the value split is not going to be that close, it 6 will either be of the business -- if this turn 7 around isn't real and there is nothing left for 8 preferred or common, or that it will go entirely 9 through the preferred to the common. So I guess 10 the summary of that point is that I don't think 11 it's going to be a real close case, I believe it's 12 going one way or the other, but that's just my 13 belief.</p> <p>14 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.</p> <p>15 MR. WOLFSON: Good morning, your 16 Honor. Peter Wolfson for the preferred 17 shareholders. Your Honor, this is my first 18 appearance in this matter, and I would just like to 19 briefly note a couple of points going down to the 20 legal standards. I will try not to duplicate that 21 which Mr. Yetnikoff has discussed.</p> <p>22 We represent the preferred 23 shareholders --</p> <p>24 THE COURT: Can you interrupt you 25 for a second? When you say you represent the</p>	<p>15</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 percent shareholders that appear on public record. 3 And again, as Mr. Yetnikoff indicated, nobody has 4 disputed our contention that in fact it is 5 publically held, widely scattered, and in fact, I 6 think prior to -- if I'm not mistaken, prior to the 7 filing of this petition, these securities were all 8 listed on the New York Stock Exchange until they 9 were dealers.</p> <p>10 THE COURT: Okay.</p> <p>11 MR. WOLFSON: As noted in the 12 Johns-Manville case, although some shareholders may 13 have resources to protect their own interests, 14 unlike a committee, they don't have any fiduciary 15 duties to the other shareholders, they don't really 16 have adequate resources, they certainly don't have 17 adequate stature to properly and fully represent 18 the interest of shareholders in a case of this 19 nature.</p> <p>20 Where Section 1109, as everybody 21 points out, gives individual shareholders and 22 creditors the right to be heard, it does not give 23 them the right to negotiate plans, it does not give 24 them any of the other statutory rights, nor the 25 obligations, nor fiduciary responsibilities that an</p>

1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 official committee gives them. 3 The debtor does have conflicting 4 duties and obligations and loyalties to both 5 creditors, employees, management, shareholders. 6 And again, as noted in Johns-Manville citing the 7 legislative history, the rationale in this sort of 8 a situation for appointing an equity committee is 9 due what Congress perceives as a natural tendency 10 of the debtor to pass by large creditors at the 11 expense of equity holders. 12 We've heard some comments earlier 13 and in the earlier transcript with respect to the 14 joint provisional liquidators, but those are 15 fiduciaries, such as the trustee representing the 16 estate, has sustained infirmities in the ability to 17 represent just shareholders that a debtor has. And 18 I would note that we have scanned the record 19 numerous times and we have not yet seen that the 20 joint liquidators who others would assert have the 21 ability to represent shareholders, we don't even 22 think that they have entered an appearance in this 23 case; if they have, we missed it. But most 24 importantly, I think it is fairly clear at this 25 point, that the debtors are not hopelessly	18 1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 believe the page numbers are page 4 of 112, that is 3 the condensed consolidated balance sheets. 4 THE COURT: Right. 5 MR. WOLFSON: And if your Honor 6 would look at that first, one thing to note is that 7 good will was written off this balance sheet in 8 December of 2002, so you do not see a line here for 9 good will, and I'll point that out in a moment from 10 another exhibit. You have a much more clean 11 balance sheet than you normally would have as a 12 consequence of that. 13 In looking at the balance sheet, we 14 need to then make a couple of adjustments. And you 15 can make a couple of adjustments very easily, and 16 this company is clearly going to be based on a book 17 solvency issue, solvent from the standpoint of the 18 preferred shareholders. 19 If I might, I guess just for the 20 sake of the record, if we could mark that Q as 21 preferred shareholders Exhibit 1. And I would like 22 to mark as Exhibit 2, just a demonstrative aid. 23 MR. ROTHMAN: Your Honor, we're 24 going to object to this. We haven't had any notice 25 of this. He's not here testifying as an expert --
19 1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 insolvent, certainly in relationship to the 3 preferred shareholders. I'm not going to address 4 the solvency relative to the common, I'm going to 5 leave that to Mr. Yetnikoff, but I would like to 6 focus the court's attention on whether or not the 7 preferred shareholders are in the money or 8 hopelessly insolvent and out of the money. 9 And what I would like to do is first 10 refer to the most current financial projection, the 11 financial numbers that are obtained in the 12 September 30th, 2003 form 10-Q that the debtor just 13 recently filed, and just walk the court through a 14 couple of pages of that SEC document to pointedly 15 point out that the company, even on a book basis, 16 is not hopelessly insolvent. 17 And if I might just hand the 18 court... I have put yellow tabs on a couple of 19 pages that I'm going to refer to, if I may 20 approach, your Honor? 21 THE COURT: Sure. 22 MR. WOLFSON: We pulled this off of 23 the SEC web site, and I would ask the court first 24 to take a look at the financial information in part 25 one. It shows up in the upper right-hand corner, I	21 1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 THE COURT: Well, let me interrupt 3 you. You're objecting to the second, this sheet, 4 not the 10-Q? 5 MR. ROTHMAN: I'm objecting to the 6 extent they are trying to put in evidence through 7 the argument of a lawyer for one thing, and for 8 another, we would have liked to have notice that 9 they were going to do this kind of thing so that we 10 could have prepared. 11 MR. WOLFSON: Well, your Honor I -- 12 MR. ROTHMAN: I mean, we'll listen 13 to what he says, but I also have doubts as to 14 whether he is even competent. 15 MR. WOLFSON: Your Honor, these are 16 the debtors' documents. These are SEC publicly 17 filed documents. 18 THE COURT: When you referred to 19 these -- 20 MR. WOLFSON: Well -- 21 THE COURT: -- obviously the 22 September 30 10-Q is -- this other document that 23 you just handed up to me, what is this that? 24 MR. WOLFSON: I'm going to show you 25 these this comes straight out of the 10-Q. These

<p>22</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 are just numbers right out of the 10-Q just as a 3 demonstrative aid. If you don't want to look at 4 it --</p> <p>5 THE COURT: So you are not seeking 6 to introduce these, you are seeking it to walk 7 through them?</p> <p>8 MR. WOLFSON: I will ultimately seek 9 to introduce the 10-Q, I don't need to introduce 10 this separate documents that I've marked as Exhibit 11 2.</p> <p>12 THE COURT: Well, until he tries to 13 offer his expert testimony or somebody's expert 14 time, I'll aware of your objection, but I'm happy 15 to have him walk through the debtors' 10-Q.</p> <p>16 MR. WOLFSON: Your Honor, if you 17 start off, then, on, again, page four of the 18 Exhibit 1, the September 30th 10-Q, you see that 19 they show total assets of 2.454 billion 20 approximately, and then further down on that page, 21 they show a number of 2.901 billion liabilities 22 subject to compromise. And on page five, it shows 23 a negative shareholders deficit of 705 million 829. 24 I'm not quite sure that the 300 25 million dollar number that Mr. Yetnikoff was</p>	<p>24</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 million. The last sentence of that paragraph 3 shows that the net book value of the satellites to 4 be sold was approximately 805 million, and the 5 other net assets sold of this group was 6 approximately 9 million, so you have a 814 million 7 dollars of net assets being carried on the balance 8 sheet as assets that have been sold for a 9 billion 75 million. The difference between the 10 billion 75 million and the 814 million, is actually 11 a 261 million dollar gain on assets.</p> <p>12 The second --</p> <p>13 MR. BOTTER: Your Honor, I don't 14 want to interrupt Mr. Wolfson's testimony, but I 15 think the parenthetical is fairly important; first 16 of all the deal has not yet closed, and there are 17 certain purchase price adjustments which could be, 18 in the context of this discussion, quite material. 19 So I think that --</p> <p>20 THE COURT: Well, you can raise that 21 point later.</p> <p>22 MR. BOTTER: Okay.</p> <p>23 MR. WOLFSON: And we checked with 24 the debtors counsel last night, your Honor, who</p>
<p>23</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 referring to earlier I think was an earlier Q; 3 however, let's just now see some adjustments that 4 need to be made to that to show that in fact, even 5 based on book value, the preferreds are in the 6 money.</p> <p>7 If you start off by taking a look, 8 as Mr. Yetnikoff indicated, there is a sale of 9 the -- to Intelsat of a billion -- it's actually a 10 billion 75 million as I understand the proceeds. 11 The sale was a billion 25, plus the additional 50 12 million, so a billion 75 million. And if you take 13 a look at page 46 of this document, which is, I 14 think, one of the last tabs that I put on your 15 Honor's copy -- I'm sorry, on the upper right-hand 16 corner, it's page 72 of 112; it's actually page 46 17 of the document itself.</p> <p>18 In the third paragraph down, "the 19 debtor states on October 20th the sellers held a 20 bankruptcy court ordered auction," and continues, 21 "the purchase price was increased from one billion 22 to one billion 25 million." And then continuing 23 after the parenthetical it says that the buyers are 24 agreeing to pay an additional 50 million dollars at 25 the closing, which is how you get to a billion 75</p>	<p>25</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 said that this more likely than not, they are very 3 optimistic this is closing either this month or 4 next; they know of no reason why it won't. 5 The next adjustment -- and that's 6 the first adjustment that we show on what I marked 7 as Exhibit 2, just to have it on a piece of paper 8 and keep track of it. The next adjustment that we 9 point out to your Honor is, if you take a look at 10 what shows up at -- well, again, looking at page 4 11 of 112, we show the liability sub compromise; you 12 start off with a number of 2.9 billion dollars. We 13 then turn to look how that number was calculated, 14 and if your Honor would turn to page 31 of 112, 15 that is footnote 11 to the Q, you'll see that they 16 have a list at the top on the notes adding up to 17 the 2.901394 which matches liabilities subject to 18 compromise noted earlier. The first number is debt 19 obligations of 2.36 billion, approximately; that 20 number is ascertained by looking at the earlier 21 footnote, footnote 10, that shows up at page 28 of 22 112. And if your Honor would look at page 28, 23 footnote 10, you'll see that included within the 24 2.236 starting off debt obligations, the second 25 line item is accrued interest being deferred gain</p>

26 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 on debt exchanges, that of 214 million 446 3 thousand; 446 thousand. That, your Honor, was when 4 the debtor engaged in its debt exchange, they just 5 had some, from a tax reason, this was just a 6 deferred gain on that debt to the exchange, this 7 was not debt to be paid -- 8 MR. HUEBNER: Your Honor, I'm 9 sorry, I think it's now time to consider this 10 objection again. This is pure testimony about what 11 is just a highly technical financial document. 12 He's testifying plain and simple -- 13 MR. WOLFSON: I'm just reading. 14 MR. HUEBNER: -- on what -- no, you 15 are not reading. 16 MR. WOLFSON: I'm reading right out 17 of the document. 18 MR. HUEBNER: Sir, would it be okay 19 if I could finish my statement and then you could 20 just help things if you need to. I would 21 appreciate finishing. 22 Your Honor, he's characterizing 23 certain line items in very specific financial ways 24 and then arguing that they should be simply be 25 deducted from a 10-Q. That is not a reading from a</p>	28 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 made on my demonstrative of Exhibit 2. 3 MR. ROTHMAN: Your Honor, we do 4 renew the objection, he's not an expert. 5 THE COURT: All right. I will just 6 note that Mr. Wolfson has identified a number that 7 he thinks should be deleted based on the note 8 itself, and I'll read the note -- 9 MR. ROTHMAN: Is he is lawyer. 10 THE COURT: -- I'll read the note 11 and make up my own mind whether it's clear enough 12 or not. It might be worth while to ask whether it 13 appears on the schedules. 14 MR. WOLFSON: Finally, your Honor, 15 if you turn back to footnote 11, what the debtor 16 has now done, one of the changes that they made in 17 how they report numbers is that they have included 18 the obligations to the preferred stock as debt 19 obligations, therefore it gets built into the 2.9 20 billion dollar number. And if you look at the last 21 two items, you see the 187 million for six percent, 22 series C, and the 36 some odd million for the 6 23 percent series D. And if you take a look about 24 midway on that note 11, it shows accrued interest 25 and preferred dividends of 40 million 432. The</p>
27 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 10-Q. If they wanted to bring a financial witness 3 to testify as to factual matter why certain line 4 items should come out of the asset or liability, 5 they should have done so. I think an additional 6 representation that he was merely reading from the 7 10-Q, walking us through, is in fact is turning out 8 to be more inaccurate as the moments pass. 9 MR. WOLFSON: Your Honor, it says 10 accrued interest, parenthetical, deferred gain on 11 debt exchanges, close parenthetical, and you can 12 search the schedules until the cows come home, you 13 will never find this 214 million listed anywhere by 14 the debtor as a debt that would have to be paid on 15 confirmation. So you take the two publically filed 16 documents together and it's very clear. And, you 17 know, if the committee -- the committee had put in 18 numerous papers identifying what the capital 19 structure is of this case. They've always 20 identified their debt. There is nothing that has 21 ever indicated that this is debt that is 22 represented by their committee that would have to 23 be paid, and in fact it just simply is not, and 24 they know it. So that needs to come off of the 25 2.236, and that was one of the adjustments that we</p>	29 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 actual interest is that's owed is approximately 17 3 million dollars. And when you add the interest to 4 the approximately 220 million dollars of principal 5 due on the preferred stock or the liquidation 6 preference on the preferred stock, the total 7 outstanding as of the petition date on the 8 preferred stock is approximately 237 million 9 dollars. So we back out that 237 million dollars 10 from the reported shareholder deficit of 705 11 million. And when you back out just those three 12 items, you end up with a positive book equity 13 available for the preferred shareholders of 14 approximately 6.6 million dollars. 15 The point of that exercise is to 16 demonstrate that based upon the debtors own 17 publically filed information, even based on book 18 value of assets which we understand is not 19 absolutely dispositive of the issue, but even based 20 on its own book value, the company from the 21 preferred standpoint is solvent for preferred 22 shareholders. You do have another 230 billion 23 dollars to go through to get to the common equity, 24 but the preferred are already in the money on that 25 basis. And I would contrast that situation -- keep</p>

<p>30</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 in mind that the debtor has never taken the 3 position that the company was hopelessly insolvent. 4 The creditors' committee and the U.S. Trustee have, 5 but they have done that on only two basis, basis 6 number one is book balance sheet. They said look 7 at the book balance sheet. The company has 3 8 hundred million dollars of a negative net worth. 9 They were using the older numbers too, it would 10 actually be a little higher based on these newer 11 numbers. They say maybe there are some off balance 12 sheet items, which may be true, but I would also 13 point out that there were probably off balance 14 sheet assets. The company for example, has totally 15 written off, as we understand from the financials, 16 any interest in Global Star, which may actually 17 have some value. 18 So ignoring off balance sheet -- 19 MR. ROTHMAN: Your Honor, the same 20 objection. It's getting worse -- 21 MR. WOLFSON: This is public 22 information. 23 MR. ROTHMAN: -- this person is now 24 an expert on Global Star and the implications of 25 that; it's absurd.</p>	<p>32</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 notes are trading at around 40 cents. And indeed 3 if I may hand to the court just a chart, and this 4 is just pulled out of Bloomberg. If I might. This 5 just tracks, if I might mark this as Exhibit 3, it 6 just tracks historical bond prices. 7 MR. ROTHMAN: Your Honor, we object 8 and don't think it should be used for any purpose. 9 THE COURT: Well, does the -- the 10 committee has given the bond prices as well, and I 11 think everyone basically agrees on a range. Right? 12 MR. WOLFSON: I think that they do, 13 but their financial advisors are in court today. 14 They can testify if these numbers are wrong. 15 MR. BOTTER: Your Honor, the bond 16 prices are what they are. We agree that as of 17 yesterday, they were 75 cents on the Orion bonds 18 and 42 cents on the LTD bonds. We think that shows 19 insolvency. 20 THE COURT: Okay. 21 MR. WOLFSON: What I think it shows, 22 though, your Honor -- 23 THE COURT: Is there anything with 24 this that you are trying to show beyond that? 25 MR. WOLFSON: Well, in connection</p>
<p>31</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 MR. WOLFSON: Well, your Honor, the 3 creditors' committee has, and numerous other 4 parties in interest, have very sophisticated, very 5 high paid financial advisers, and not one of them 6 has given you an affidavit that this company is 7 hopelessly insolvent, and I find that very telling; 8 the debtor has not said that they are hopelessly 9 insolvent, and we're pointing out now that this was 10 their argument, the creditor committees' argument 11 was look at the book balance sheet, the book 12 balance sheet show that they are insolvent. It's 13 not the case. 14 The other argument that they make is 15 that the public debt market is indicative of this 16 company being insolvent, and they are saying that 17 that is something we should learn something from. 18 And I would like to address that point. I would 19 like to hand to the court -- first, the committee 20 has acknowledged that since the filing of this 21 petition, the bonds have traded up. I don't think 22 there's any dispute based on publicly available 23 information, that the Loral Orion 10 percent senior 24 notes are presently trading somewhere around 75 25 cents, and the Loral 9 and a half percent senior</p>	<p>33</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 with -- yes. Now you have just the lawyer, he 3 wants to show you what he thinks it means. 4 THE COURT: He's agreeing with you. 5 MR. WOLFSON: Well, that's good. He 6 agrees with the numbers, but then he says he thinks 7 that that means that it's insolvent and that that's 8 indicative of an insolvency position. 9 But if I can hand one other exhibit 10 to the court -- the final exhibit that I would just 11 like to point out, and also just purely extracted 12 from publicly filed SEC information, is income 13 statement and balance sheet information straight 14 out of the companies SEC documents going back as 15 far as 1999. And if Your, Honor were to look at 16 the historical bond chart that I handed out, as of 17 December '01, if you were to take a look at the 18 December '01 historical balance sheet which shows 19 up on page 2 of that last handout; at that time the 20 company was reporting, in 12/01, a shareholder 21 positive equity of a billion 3, and the bonds were 22 trading very close to where they are trading today. 23 And for the debtor or the creditors' committee to 24 argue that the bonds, where they are trading today 25 are indicative of an insolvent company, doesn't</p>

34 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 synchronize with the facts of how the bonds have 3 traded in relationship to the book balance sheets 4 of this case in the past. 5 MR. ROTHMAN: Your Honor. 6 MR. WOLFSON: And that's the only 7 point I wish to make on that. 8 MR. ROTHMAN: Your Honor, I'll 9 reiterate the objection. This is getting more 10 tenuating with each document. 11 THE COURT: Well, if your point is 12 that they have always traded at a discount over the 13 last several years, the last two years. 14 MR. WOLFSON: Either that they've 15 always traded at a discount and/or that there's -- 16 you can't take a look at where the bond prices are 17 today and say ah ha, the company is insolvent as a 18 consequence of that; the bonds are trading the same 19 as they did two or three years ago when the company 20 was reporting a book value of a billion 3. It was 21 no more insolvent then -- 22 THE COURT: Well, that's a different 23 point. It does get into the area of expert 24 testimony. 25 MR. WOLFSON: I'm just asking the</p>	36 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 THE COURT: Well, first of all, what 3 is the identification exhibits tracking historical 4 bond prices from December '01 to November '03? Was 5 that prepared by your firm or with the assistance 6 of financial types? 7 MR. WOLFSON: May I for a second? 8 (Discussion off the Record.) 9 MR. WOLFSON: Your Honor, this was 10 prepared by the assistance of Channon and Company, 11 and as was what we've marked as Exhibit 4. I'm 12 perfectly delighted to have -- 13 THE COURT: Which one was that? 14 MR. WOLFSON: Exhibit 3 I marked as 15 the historical bond price. Exhibit 4 was the 16 historical income statement going back to 1998. 17 Exhibit 2 was the demonstrative aid book value for 18 preferreds, and Exhibit 1 was the 10-Q. 19 THE COURT: Are you seeking to have 20 any of these introduced into evidence? 21 MR. WOLFSON: Well I would, I guess, 22 I would like, if there's no dispute, to introduce 23 all of them into evidence. 24 THE COURT: Well, there's clearly a 25 dispute.</p>
35 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 court to look at it factually. I'm not making any 3 particular opinion about it, it's just a fact. The 4 fact is here's where the bonds are trading based on 5 publicly financial information, and here's what 6 the balance sheets of the company were showing, and 7 your Honor can draw your own conclusion as to what 8 that means. 9 MR. BOTTER: Your Honor, can I ask a 10 question as to these exhibits? Obviously there's 11 been a lot of work put into them, and I just want 12 to ask if Mr. Wolfson's firm has done all the work 13 by itself or whether it has been assisted by a 14 financial adviser. And I think it's relevant, 15 because if it's been assisted by a financial 16 advisor, than maybe that financial adviser ought to 17 sit on the stand and inform the court that they are 18 representatives of them, and not a financial 19 advisory firm that's involved in this case, and in 20 fact, they are in the courtroom right now, and if 21 they have been involved in working with Mr. 22 Wolfson's firm in preparation of this, I would 23 think it will be appropriate, if Mr. Wolfson is 24 attempting to testify about these exhibits, that we 25 could examine the people that prepared them.</p>	37 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 MR. WOLFSON: Then I will call 3 Channon just to testify as to where these numbers 4 come from. 5 THE COURT: No. If they are to be 6 -- they can't testify as an expert without having 7 been previously identified. 8 MR. WOLFSON: Your Honor, again, I'm 9 not looking for any expert testimony. All these 10 numbers are absolute extracts from the debtors 11 financial statements, with the exception of the 12 chart where there's no dispute, that this 13 accurately reflects simply trading values -- 14 THE COURT: Well, I don't know if 15 that's -- 16 MR. BOTTER: We have no idea, your 17 Honor. 18 MR. HUEBNER: Your Honor -- 19 THE COURT: -- that is in dispute, I 20 think. 21 MR. WOLFSON: Right. Your Honor, 22 that's why I would have Channon testify. But this 23 is not expert testimony, this is just factual. 24 Where did you get these numbers from and how did 25 they get onto this piece of paper. I'm not asking</p>

38 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 for any opinions, I'm not asking for anything, 3 other than just if we need to have a source. 4 If the debtor is going to dispute, 5 for example, starting with Exhibit Number 4, the if 6 the debtor is going to dispute that these are an 7 accurate excerpt or regurgitation of what's in 8 their 10-Ks, then I can just put some on to testify 9 and say I got the numbers from the 10-K. They are 10 accurate, here they are. And if the debtor 11 ultimately believes any of these numbers are 12 wrong -- and I also have the 10-Ks with me from 13 2002 and 2001 which I can introduce into evidence. 14 THE COURT: That would probably 15 obviate that issue. 16 MR. WOLFSON: Okay. Well, then let 17 me -- 18 THE COURT: Rather than dealing with 19 a summary. 20 MR. WOLFSON: I can do that. 21 MR. HUEBNER: Your Honor -- 22 THE COURT: Then I'll hear the 23 response on Exhibit 3. 24 MR. HUEBNER: Your Honor, I think I 25 would note as a matter of process, that perhaps,</p>	40 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 parties, of the fact that facts were being 3 introduced into evidence, which is normally is 4 accompanied by affidavits and witnesses. Mr. 5 Wolfson was very sort of interested in the fact 6 that there were not financial participant 7 affidavits in this case. It is his evidentiary 8 verdict on his motion to make a factual record. 9 The question of fact is best poised to him. Where 10 is his financial witness with the advanced notice 11 and the opportunity to depose. This is not a 12 Cracker Jack hearing; this is a multi billion 13 dollar case in which we have the right to process. 14 MR. BOTTER: Your Honor, I would 15 just add that I believe the debtors about three 16 days ago asked Mr. Bicks, who is Mr. Wolfson's 17 colleague, whether in fact, they would have a 18 witness at this hearing. He said no. Obviously 19 Mr. Wolfson is appearing as his own witness. But I 20 think that if they had been honest to the process 21 here, I think they would have identified that in 22 fact they were working with Channon, and they would 23 have made Channon available for us to examine them 24 on these exhibits that they are trying to get in 25 through Mr. Wolfson's testimony.</p>
39 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 you know, people are not aware that bankruptcy 3 courts sort of function like regular federal 4 courts. There was no exhibit list, there was no 5 witness list; what we just found out, pursuant to 6 the court's questioning, is that there is a shadow 7 financial advisor that actually prepared what is, 8 in essence, a small expert report that Mr. Wolfson 9 is reading from. 10 The only note of surprise here, I 11 think it's about as dramatic as one can get, well, 12 actually, the financial advisors who prepared all 13 these documents is in the court, and I'm happy to 14 call them to the stand. I think that next time, if 15 Mr. Wolfson would give the primary parties the 16 courtesy of notice of his exhibits, factual and 17 otherwise, we could have a proper hearing. I think 18 for us to now sit here and compare the 2001 10-Ks, 19 and like there are other documents that he doesn't 20 even have enough copies of for the primary parties 21 in this case, to see if the excerpts of the exhibit 22 is even accurate, is simply grossly unfair. If 23 this was to be an evidentiary hearing, one might 24 have expected the courtesy to, and in fact the 25 obligation to advise the court as well as the</p>	41 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 MR. WOLFSON: Your Honor, we are not 3 seeking to -- 4 THE COURT: Just a second. 5 MR. ROTHMAN: Your Honor, maybe this 6 will help. What I was going to suggest is why 7 don't we just have him put in the 10-Ks if he 8 wants, without the exhibits. I would like to hear 9 the rest of what he has to say because I don't 10 think any of it makes a difference anyway. 11 THE COURT: Again, you are not 12 seeking to introduce any valuation or expert 13 testimony, you are just trying to corroborate the 14 source that are for this document, Exhibit 3? 15 MR. WOLFSON: That is what I'm -- 16 THE COURT: Is that what you are 17 trying to do? 18 MR. WOLFSON: I'm just trying to 19 corroborate -- the 10-Ks corroborate Exhibit 4. 20 THE COURT: Well, the 10-Ks. 21 MR. WOLFSON: The 10-Ks -- 22 THE COURT: The debtor is not 23 disputing that those are admissible, and they 24 couldn't. So I think those could be admitted. 25 MR. BOTTER: In terms of the</p>

42 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 historical bond prices, your Honor, there's nothing 3 in the 10-Ks -- 4 THE COURT: I understand. So I 5 think the remaining issue is whether we could have 6 someone -- 7 MR. HUEBNER: Your Honor, on the 8 bond prices, to make it easy, I don't think there's 9 a big dispute about the bond prices. I think that 10 we all sort of brought different sheets that say 11 the same thing; we all understand the that the 12 Orion bonds are currently at 75. We all understand 13 that the parent bonds are at 39 or 40 or 41. So 14 unless the chart showing the trend up, which we can 15 probably all agree as a general matter, that the 16 announcement of the Intelsat sale and these orders 17 has resulted in something of a trend upward, and in 18 fact the trend recently shows that the prices have 19 recently gone back down, but I'm not sure he needs 20 the chart because I'm not sure that we 21 fundamentally disagree that the bonds on the chart 22 have gone like this (indicating). 23 THE COURT: I think his only point 24 on the chart is that the bonds did not start 25 trading at a discount county with the petitioner</p>	44 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 THE COURT: Okay. So why don't we 3 introduce then the -- is it three 10-Qs? 4 MR. WOLFSON: It's three 10-Qs bound 5 together in one binder, the 2000, 2001 and 2002 6 10-K, and then I would like to mark that then 7 perhaps as Exhibit 5. 8 THE COURT: You are seeking to 9 introduce that, right? 10 MR. WOLFSON: Correct. 11 THE COURT: Why don't we introduce 12 that as Exhibit 2. The other exhibit which is 13 being introduced into evidence is the 2003 10 K. 14 MR. WOLFSON: Very well. 15 THE COURT: So that's the -- 16 MR. WOLFSON: So Exhibit 2 is the 17 2003 10-Q? 18 THE COURT: Right. And Exhibit 2 is 19 what you just handed me -- 20 MR. WOLFSON: The three 10-Ks. 21 THE COURT: -- is the three 10-Ks. 22 Okay. 23 MR. WOLFSON: In looking then, your 24 Honor, at whether or not the company -- in looking 25 at the requirement, or one of the tests for</p>
43 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 date, that in fact they were trading at a discount 3 at least as of December 2001. Now this isn't, as 4 Judge Lifland said, anything more than helpful 5 information in the first place. So I don't know 6 whether that's a big point for the objectants to 7 these motion to dispute or whether it's something 8 that they can also agree to, whether the discount 9 was five percent or 10 percent or 15 percent, that 10 there was a period before the petition date where 11 the bonds were trading at a discount. 12 MR. HUEBNER: Your Honor, again, 13 just to make life procedurally simple for people, 14 at least the agent, I think, has no objection to 15 him sort of testifying as to the proposition that 16 the market understood that even before the actual 17 petition date, that these bonds might not be paid 18 in full, and that there was some discount. 19 Obviously we can't verify right now the 12/21/01 20 trading price. But if the proposition is just that 21 the market got the fact that there was financial 22 distress and the telecom bumper was exploding, 23 which preceding the petition date, I'm not sure we 24 have to have a factual argument, obviously people 25 understand that.</p>	45 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 determining whether or not it's appropriate to 3 appoint an equity committee, is obviously one of 4 the key tests is that the debtor is not hopelessly 5 insolvent. And again I'm focusing on the 6 preferred shareholders. And the point of this 7 exercise was to take a look at the arguments that 8 were being made. And again the debtor not focused 9 the only parties that are asserting that the 10 company is hopelessly insolvent is the creditors 11 committee and the U.S. Trustee and both of them for 12 that proposition relied solely on two things, one 13 is the debtor it's publically reported book values 14 and secondly the trading prices of the bonds. And 15 I think that we've demonstrated that like go at the 16 adjustments that need to be made to the debtors 17 book values given the increased value from the 18 sale, the attribution of liability on a gain, which 19 it doesn't belong on that sort of an analysis for 20 this purpose, and the just moving I the liability 21 for the preferred stock out of the 705 million back 22 above the line. That demonstrates then on a book 23 basis the company has value 6 million dollars plus 24 in value on a book basis for the preferred holders. 25 You might also -- the court may also</p>

<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 take note that just as the assets that were being 3 carried at book value turned out to be less than 4 their fair market value requiring an adjustment of 5 a fairly significant number from eight hundred 6 million to a billion 1 problem about a 30 percent 7 adjustment the other assets being carried on the 8 books may also be that much understated a further 9 indicia of their not being not focused -- 10 THE COURT: Or they may be 11 overstated. 12 MR. WOLFSON: Excuse me. 13 THE COURT: Or they may be 14 overstated. 15 MR. WOLFSON: Well, okay. But so 16 far the only test that they we have of that is this 17 first group of assets that was sold were apparently 18 sold for a higher amount, and we then have a public 19 statement and the statement made to this court in 20 response to the EchoStar offer to buy all of the 21 assets for the billion 8 something, that that was 22 woefully inadequate. We take all that together and 23 this case does not look anything like the Williams 24 case it does not look anything like those cases 25 where equity case committees are business Williams</p>	<p>46</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 time. The debtor, as we understand it, has -- 3 anticipates issuing a business plan in two to three 4 weeks. It then intends to discuss that, go over 5 that and begin plan negotiations premised upon 6 that. 7 Now is the time for an equity 8 committee have to very quickly perform whatever due 9 diligence they need to do get up to speed and 10 prepared to participate in those discussions 11 understand the business plan participate in the 12 negotiations for a plan. That will avoid any sort 13 of delays as Judge Lifland noted if you wait too 14 long you are hands cuffed and you are not going to 15 be able to negotiate it all becomes a fate acomplly 16 and I point out absent the appointing of an equity 17 committee, the committee a creditors' committee, if 18 they hold true to this form they are going to come 19 to the court and suggest to you at confirmation or 20 perhaps prior -- couldn't do it prior thereto, they 21 are going to suggest prior thereto that equity gets 22 wiped out and you've got 250 million dollars, of 23 237 million dollars of preferred equity value, and 24 then you've got 44 thousand dollar shares of 25 outstanding of common equity. And if this court</p>
<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 bonds were trading 10 cents on the dollar the 3 equity committee did not say you do not appear 4 hopelessly insolvent there was a mere possibility 5 that if they commenced all sorts of lawsuits and 6 all sorts of subordination that may be at the end 7 of the day we would be able to squeeze out some 8 value and Judge Lifland said even if you equitably 9 subordinate all of their claims, they are still 10 senior to you equity holders and you might increase 11 the bonds from 10 cents to 20 cents you still have 12 a long way to go. 13 We are not coming to this court and 14 say the way we get value ask by being -- commence 15 go address I have litigation. We are suggesting on 16 based on values buying ascribed on publically filed 17 information in the fact that the debtor is not 18 taking the position that this is hopelessly 19 insolvent that based upon the courts experience in 20 this case, that it's those financial attributes 21 which demonstrate that they are not hopelessly 22 insolvent. We don't have to get into litigation to 23 go anywhere. The next element having gone through 24 the first four is the timing of the request; and 25 that clearly is -- this clearly is an appropriate</p>	<p>47</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 gets in what is clearly at least a close case, if 3 not a clear case where we are already in the money, 4 it's at least a closed case. Before the court has 5 to react to and opine on wiping out a group of 6 equity holders both preferred and common, it would 7 seem to me that having the bin met of the adversary 8 process to really contest that would probably be 9 extraordinarily helpful to the court and the 10 parties to coming to any sort of conclusion. 11 I would also note your Honor that -- 12 and as your Honor is I think aware from experience, 13 we have done this before. We have represented my 14 firm has represented and I in my earlier firms have 15 represented equity committees before they make a 16 vast difference from the in the outcome of a case. 17 In Western Union we represent billions and billions 18 of dollars negative net worth. Well as here, the 19 industry turned, and things turned around, and low 20 and behold the creditors were paid in full with 21 interest and equity preserved their position in 22 this case. Similarly in Hexcel, a case that we 23 represented an equity committee, also a New York 24 stock exchange company, pending out in San Francisco, it was before Judge Chichofski. There</p>

<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 too, the creditors took the position that it was 3 hopelessly insolvent that we should not be given a 4 committee much less lawyer been paid important for 5 it lawyer for the committee. There too, by having 6 an equity committee early enough we actually went 7 out created a competitive environment we engaged 8 financial advisors we had the assistance we did a 9 rights offering, sponsored in part by some of the 10 equity holders and paid in full plus interest and 11 preserved eighty percent of the company for 12 existing creditors. You cannot do that. You 13 cannot fully and accurately and promptly represent 14 equity holders if you do not have an official 15 committee because nobody about will pay any 16 attention to you the court will listen to us under 17 1109(b) but if we need to go out and effectively 18 negotiate with the debtor similar alternatives and 19 full ability to maximize value to the estate 20 including to the shareholders as a matter of 21 practical reality you can't do it without the 22 statute afforded to you by having an official 23 committee. The down side of the committee and 24 there's only one down side to having a committee in 25 a case where it's close and the creditors'</p>	<p>50</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 out of money warrant, and that's it. That's a 3 typical case. And I think the experience dictates 4 that when you are this close and you have a 5 preferred shareholder committee we will get a fair 6 greater return without being litigious, unless 7 necessary. You know, they can laugh all they want 8 but we learned a long time ago and I don't get more 9 business in these cases by just being the classic 10 terrorist. Those days are over the days of just 11 coming in and objecting don't get you anywhere you 12 need to have an exostrategy. We are able to do 13 that; we did it professionally we do it 14 economically and economically and it works and gets 15 value for the entire estate. 16 So we think, your Honor, in looking 17 at the standards here and we recognize what the 18 cases and such as Williams and others state. This 19 case squarely falls in there an equity a committee 20 certainly a committee ought to be appointed the key 21 issue it's not insolvent I think that's been 22 demonstrated and I think the cost issue is really 23 normal to the interests that need to be protected 24 here. 25 My final point is in response to</p>
<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 committee is already tell telling you get ready for 3 a cram down and wipe out the only downside is a 4 little bit of cost. 5 In absolute terms, it's a fair 6 amount of the -- this is not an inexpensive case. 7 We represent 237 million dollars worth of preferred 8 shareholders in a liquidation preference. This is 9 a classic billions of dollars of assets and 10 liabilities. It is going to professional fees in 11 an absolute term are substantial. I'm not going to 12 deny that. But in relative terms it's nominal. 13 It's nominal in terms of the investment we are 14 trying to protect it's nominal in comparison to the 15 amounts being spent by the debtors creditors' 16 committee and the amounts being charged by the 17 estate by the secured creditors one once the 18 secured creditor are paid off in a few weeks the 19 only thing between us and being crammed down is 20 really the creditors' committee. 21 The creditors' committee is now 22 going to be controlling the if shots. They will 23 negotiate with the debtor. They will put pressure 24 on the debtor to wipe us out. The debtor will 25 possibly fight for a little bit of a warrant, an</p>	<p>51</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 your Honor's inquiry to Mr. Yetnikoff. We believe 3 what would be most appropriate here would be to 4 have a separate equity holders committee, whether 5 you appoint a common committee or not. If your 6 Honor is only prepared to direct the appoint of a 7 single committee and that single committee be a 8 joint committee then we do believe, given they are 9 that we are still 237 million dollar preference 10 ahead of the common, that it should be on the basis 11 that the majority of that committee be represented 12 by preferred shareholders. 13 We are not prepared to leave our 14 fate to the hands of common who have a lot more 15 fighting to do to get into the money than we do. I 16 think it's a very different dynamic when you are 17 representing the way out way of common than the 18 preferred shareholders and not fair to have a 19 committee stacked with common and rely on them to 20 get us paid. 21 THE COURT: What's your response to 22 the point which I expect someone will make that if 23 the cost really is nominal, given the amount at 24 stake, that the new preferred shareholders who you 25 represent would have roughly 25 percent of 237</p>

1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 million at stake, could pay for it themselves? 3 MR. WOLFSON: I was very careful to 4 say it's nominal to relative terms, it's not 5 necessarily nominal in absolute terms, it's many 6 hundreds of thousands if not millions of dollars to 7 represent a committee of this nature. There's no 8 disputing this if I was to suggest to the court 9 otherwise you wouldn't believe me. And for 10 individual preferred shareholders to who risk a 11 batter with the committee who is telling them you 12 are out of the money you are getting wiped out for 13 them to spend out of their own pocket a million 14 dollars or so is a lot of money and not likely to 15 happen. 16 On the other hand, it is normal 17 relative to the says of this case the 18 administrative expenses of this case and all the 19 professional fees being paid out. The other 20 problem in individuals again even more so than the 21 than the money, the one thing that I have learned 22 over the years of doing this is having the official 23 stage which you are makes a deference, that is why 24 these people don't want us to have the committee 25 they are not fighting or objecting to us because	54 1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 MR. WOLFSON: On I think on that 3 time table I think we should be able to. If a 4 committee is able to be appointed mid December and 5 he can select counsel mid December and start 6 negotiations mid-January end of January we would be 7 able to do that. 8 THE COURT: Has Channon done due 9 diligence? 10 MR. WOLFSON: Your Honor I don't 11 know that Channon -- I don't know if the commit 12 exclusive period is going to select Channon. Not 13 notwithstanding the colloquy here has at our request 14 only done extracting information of from public 15 document because they have spreadsheets. But my 16 representation to the court would be this committee 17 if we were representing the committee we are not 18 going to seek a delay if we can get appointed and 19 going forward promptly. We've handled cases far 20 larger in less time than this. But we think if we 21 get up and running now by the time the business 22 plan could you please out in the next couple of 23 weeks, have meetings understand the business plan, 24 we will be up and running without much problem. 25 And hopefully you know both the
1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 it's going to cost us a million dollars in fees 3 that's not what it is about in a billion dollar 4 case they don't want to let us have standing in 5 this case because it gives the empowerment to do 6 what needs to be done. For us to go out in and 7 negotiate meaningfully in a represent all the 8 preferred shareholders and being able to look at 9 alternatives, you just need that official status. 10 It's hard to quantity exclusive period how 11 important that is; but it is truly very important. 12 THE COURT: At the hearing on 13 exclusivity, the debtor, and I think you looked 14 into this also, the debtor said they hoped to have 15 the business plan as revised out to the parties in 16 the next few weeks and get down to plan negotiation 17 in the first quarter preferably January or 18 February. 19 MR. WOLFSON: Correct, correct. 20 THE COURT: If a committee were 21 ordered by me and certainly it would be appoint the 22 and get organized over the next couple of weeks. 23 when would the professionals for the committee in 24 your view be ready to participate meaningful in 25 negotiations.	55 1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 debtor and the creditors committee, to the extent 3 they can share information and help smooth the path 4 and help an equity committee get up to speed, that 5 too would be productive and help matters. 6 THE COURT: So Channon has not 7 represented Aspen to date? 8 MR. WOLFSON: Correct. 9 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you. 10 MR. BOTTER: Your Honor, although I 11 think both the debtors and credit first committee 12 would both like to respond, I notice Mr. Christ who 13 is in the court and may make sense to take off 14 positive. 15 THE COURT: I agree. Mr. Christ if 16 you can come up. 17 MR. CHRIST: Thank you. 18 I representing the stockholders 19 protective committee, to correct debtor and 20 creditors' responses. I don't know we were heard 21 the first time because I don't think I filed it in 22 the right time, but the judge allowed us to speak. 23 So I guess this is the first time formally heard. 24 We represent a little over one percent of the 25 public shareholders. I had a conversation with Mr.

<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 Herash who holds 10 percent, and he's told me I 3 don't represent him, so I don't represent him. But 4 I will say it's my belief that by inferences -- it 5 goes without saying that we represent all the 6 shareholders. And given the alternative of being 7 extinguished, or the greater likelihood without 8 representation, I can't imagine anyone, even the 9 single shareholder from anyone, who wouldn't be 10 represented here as a matter interest, even if they 11 are unable to come physically here. 12 I came into town yesterday, I had a 13 funeral actually yesterday. My aunt passed away in 14 Brooklyn. She has had a row-house there since 15 1950, and we had to bury her, bring my mother up, 16 it set her back. She was an immigrant that 17 survived the Christian Holocaust, that predated the 18 Jewish Holocaust by some 20 years. 19 They came over here. They were -- 20 she was the last one in that group, in the mid up 21 upper 80s, and they came over here for freedom. 22 And freedom is vested in personal property. And 23 unfortunately it left me with a car in Manhattan. 24 And to be honest with you, I'm ambivalent, given 25 the choice of finding my car or prevailing at this</p>	<p>58</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 is paying themselves five million, they can recoup 3 that on a monthly basis. 4 So theoretically if we are just 5 looking at dollars and cents you could say we will 6 do I want to get the shares to go up or do I want 7 to get paid a few more months there would be a 8 conflict there it makes me a little uncomfortable 9 and that's in addition in a to the other thing I've 10 already cited all that could be released if I think 11 if we are allowed some visibility including to see 12 the sealed documents that were put into the court, 13 because when you considered this consider miss this 14 Q you just want to gag yourself when you see the 15 results of the quarter, and you just wonder if they 16 are concocting a plan that presumably has projected 17 earnings and all these good things, why the 18 shareholders can't have visibility to that. 19 Well -- and I was reading Barons on 20 the way up here and Warren Buffet invested in a 21 bankrupt company, apparently Sidel, and because it 22 was a lack of projections, the judge -- it was 23 apparently a Delaware bankruptcy, as of December 24 2nd, has allowed the stockholders and their 25 attorney to put forth a plan in that proceeding,</p>
<p>59</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 hearing, I'm not sure which way I would go. 3 THE COURT: Well, to save you some 4 time, you should assume I've read your papers, so 5 you don't need to go over that ground. 6 MR. CHRIST: I would like to thank 7 Mr. Wolfson for his incitement of pulling things 8 together a lot of things, and Mr. Yetnikoff and I 9 were pointing at, and the third quarter Q was a 10 little disturbing to me in other senses because the 11 loss was twice what everyone expected. And I'm a 12 bit still caught up with the point we're being 13 convinced that the debtor is acting in my best 14 interest, although the debtors response stated it 15 less than no less than three times and the 16 creditors stated once I think the creditors 17 referred to Mr. Zahler's affidavit in which he 18 stated he had a million and a half shares and I 19 guess I keep going back to the potential conflicts 20 and the shareholder wouldn't be an asset in this 21 product process, is a million and a half shares is 22 a lot of money by the executive committee and 23 Loral, but it totals maybe 30 cents a share. 24 roughly a half million dollars or less. And when 25 the same committee, and I'm not sure it's exactly</p>	<p>61</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 and that's in this week's Barons, and that plan is 3 scheduled to have been put forth tomorrow in 4 Delaware in that proceeding. And it was over 5 apparently the point that they were going to be 6 able to use projections projected to help justify 7 the value. 8 I imagine in the moment you'll hear 9 from the debtors and the trustee hold the company 10 is not hopelessly but at least still insolvent, and 11 I flipped on this and I looked at the same Q a lot 12 of times, and I keep going back and forth on this, 13 and I have to -- I have to admit that I almost have 14 been swayed the other way, I almost think that 15 there may not be adequate equity. But I do know to 16 have ownership involved in a process like this 17 can't hurt it. And I called Tokyo a couple of 18 times on my own, it won't go on in perpetuity of my 19 own, but I talked to Sony Corp. and tried to get 20 them over here. And I haven't seen anybody over 21 here try to get some live people with substantial 22 equity or half a billion or a billion dollars, and 23 I think those kinds of efforts can only help 24 whatever the end conclusion of this is. 25 So for those reasons and, I hope</p>

<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 Judge, I know it's a rare thing, but I hope it's a 3 go you go along with it give us an equity plan. 4 THE COURT: Okay thank you. 5 I'm going to take a five minute 6 break. 7 (Recess taken.) 8 THE COURT: Please be seated. 9 MR. ROTHMAN: Good afternoon your 10 Honor, Richard Rothman from while got and man for 11 the debtors. I said a little earlier that I didn't 12 think the opinions being voiced by Mr. Wolfson 13 would make a difference, and I'll tell you why. 14 What's most striking to me having listened to the 15 presentations both what you heard and what you 16 didn't hear; firstly all, there was no reference to 17 what the statute actually says. Section 1102 -- 18 1102(a)(2) provides that the court may provide the 19 appoint of additional committees if he is necessary 20 to ensure adequate representation of equity go and 21 present. 22 As Judge Gropper stressed in the 23 Kasper decision last year the operative word is 24 necessary to assure adequate representation which 25 is necessary which applies a reject the strict</p>	<p>62 1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 significant cost. Monetary costs as well as 3 burdens and impediment on the smooth operation of a 4 bankrupt estate which is already difficult, 5 particularly in a complex business such as this. 6 That is why the law makes clear that equity 7 committees are an exception a rare exception. 8 Indeed if you listen to Mr. Wolfson even where it 9 looks like everybody is way out of the money that 10 you neither need an equity committee in every case, 11 but that isn't the law it's clearly not the law. 12 Now, Mr. Wolfson said that the cost 13 is nominal, in a relative sense, cost here would 14 not be nominal in any sense, if you look at what 15 the costs have been to date in a Chapter 11 16 proceeding which has been laden with litigation, 17 and I'll come back to that later, you will see that 18 the cost of adding a committee would be very 19 substantial by any measure, not only because they 20 would be involved in the various litigated motions 21 and proceedings, but because each time they were to 22 instigate something you would have an expedient 23 inquiry as well as all the other parties who were 24 being paid for by the debtors would have could 25 become involves as well.</p>
<p>63 1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 standard. He then went to on to say that the 3 second operative word in the statute or term is 4 adequate representation. He made clear as have the 5 other courts that have looked at this issue that 6 the burden to prove is on the moving parties to 7 establish that a separate committee is required to 8 provide adequate representation, page 69. 9 We have no burden to prove here. 10 This is a fact intensive inquiry in which the 11 moving parties had the burden to show that a 12 separate committee with all of the costs and 13 burdens that they bring along was necessary that it 14 was required to assure adequate representation. 15 They have put in no proof there's been a complete 16 failure of proof on this motion. So when Mr. 17 Wolfson to stand up and say he was dumbstruck by 18 the fact that we didn't put in an affidavit, is 19 somewhat bazaar. They didn't put in any cognizable 20 evidence other than evidence which shows on its 21 face that the company is insolvent: Kasper, in 22 which the court refused to appoint a committee is 23 consistent with the prior case law. And what that 24 case law reflects is that where we are necessary, 25 committees serve a purpose. But they also impose</p>	<p>65 1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 Now in their brief, the preferred 3 shareholders cited to the Williams case when they 4 purport to do tell the court what the standard was. 5 And what they said and what the Williams case said 6 is different from what you've heard today. What 7 they said and what Williams said is that a 8 committee should be appointed if the movants can 9 show two things; one is that there is a 10 "substantial likelihood that equity will receive a 11 min full distribution" not whether the debtors are 12 merely hopelessly insolvent. If you were to ledge 13 to the parties who spoke today, you would think 14 that as soon as you find the that debtors are not 15 hopelessly insolvent, Bingo, we appoint a committee 16 but that's not what the law cited in their own 17 brief says. The issue is whether or not they have 18 carried their burden, their burden of proving that 19 there's a substantial likelihood of a mining full 20 recovery by equity. They haven't been put in one 21 iota of proof in order to carry that burden, nor 22 could they. 23 The second requirement is to show 24 consistent with the statute that their interests 25 are not adequately represented and that they are</p>

<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 unable to represent their interest in the 3 bankruptcy without an official committee. Here, 4 they haven't shown either branch. They haven't 5 shown that there is a substantial likelihood of 6 mining full recovery and they currently certainly 7 haven't shown that their interests aren't 8 adequately protected and that the management of 9 this company is not fulfilling its duty to equity 10 in order to look out for those interests. In fact, 11 we heard nothing about management in this case, all 12 we heard because was an advertisement for a law 13 firm which has apparently done this before and 14 tries to go around and get equity committee 15 representation. 16 There is no group whatsoever that 17 the interest of these shareholders in this case are 18 not adequately represented. In fact, I would 19 submit to you that if you look at their papers and 20 listen to what they have said, they have in fact 21 proved the opposite. They have proved and all 22 their papers show is their interests have been and 23 continue to be adequately protected. Why do I say 24 that? They were here once before in September, and 25 they claimed then that a committee was necessary to</p>	<p>66</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 Now, as to the question of whether 3 or not there is a substantial likelihood of refer 4 recovery, I didn't hear anybody say that. I heard 5 Mr. Yetnikoff said if the company turns around 6 which would be a radical thing, then they would be 7 in the money, we heard Mr. Wolfson talk about the 8 book value, and incidentally, we were objecting to 9 what we thought was testimony, and one of the 10 things -- one of the reasons is whether a lawyer 11 walks in and purports to take one number from page 12 nine 23 and move it to page 23 and start adding and 13 subtracting, who knows what's going on. But for 14 example, he opined that the book gained on the sale 15 of Intelsat assets I'm looking at one of his 16 handouts is 261 million dollars. From what we can 17 tell, he didn't factor in the expenses of the sale 18 nor did he factor in the insurance proceeds. So, 19 you know, without even looking, and again, we're 20 not in a position here and I don't think we need to 21 put on evidence here today, because as I've said 22 before it's not our burden, but that's just based 23 on two minutes of looking; what it shows is that 24 the unless but forward by a lawyer is effective 25 worthless and shouldn't be considered at all. All</p>
<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 represent their interests and then they filed a 3 renewed motion and now we're here we a supplemental 4 motion. So what is the proof that a committee 5 should be appointed. Well, the main element of 6 proof what from what I can tell, is that brought of 7 the actions taken by the management of this 8 company, including the Intelsat sale and including 9 its success in obtaining orders and keeping this 10 company intact and keeping employees on board at an 11 extremely difficult time so that SS/L could hang in 12 there and be in a position to move forward and fill 13 the orders that because those actions of 14 management. 15 This company is better off than it 16 was three or four months ago and that the 17 management of this company who is taken it from a 18 position where it was on the brink of death to the 19 point where they now say and with some merit, we're 20 doing a lot better and the prospects for this 21 company are much better. But all that they have 22 shown is that the management of this company has 23 done an excellent job in a way which has furthered 24 the interests of equity. And put equity in a 25 position where there just may be some recovery.</p>	<p>67</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 we know it is clear that even if you take his 3 opinion, it's wrong on its face number one. And 4 even if you were to credit it completely, what it 5 could you please out to on the bottom line is to 6 say there would be a six million dollar positive 7 number in terms of book value, at the same time 8 that everybody acknowledged that book value is a 9 good reflection of actual value and that wouldn't 10 show anything approaching a substantial likelihood 11 of a meaningful recovery on the kind of investment 12 we are talking about here. 13 So on a first prong of the standard 14 that they have put forward to this court, there has 15 clearly be a failure to prove a substantial 16 likelihood for a meaningful recovery. 17 THE COURT: Let me stop you there. 18 Are the new orders that were described at the 19 hearing on the sale on to Intelsat, are those 20 reflected in the September 10-Q, the value of those 21 new orders. 22 MR. ROTHMAN: I don't know your 23 Honor. One second. 24 MR. BOTTER: Your Honor, I believe 25 that they were entered into as of September 30th.</p>

1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 THE COURT: I didn't think so I just 3 wanted to make sure. 4 MR. ROTHMAN: Your Honor, I don't 5 think that anybody is disputing that this company 6 is doing better. Indeed we are proud of it. We 7 think, as I've said, that what they have shown 8 which is true, that the management of this company 9 has done an outstanding job an extraordinarily 10 difficult market operating in a bankruptcy. Now, 11 do we think that there's some hope of recovery for 12 equity? Absolutely, and that is the goal of this 13 management do we hope it's true are they working 14 for that? Are they working tire Leslie for that? 15 Absolutely. But were anybody is it here and say or 16 stand here and say that there is a substantial 17 likelihood at this point in time of a means full 18 Referee? No. That was their burden and they 19 haven't shown it. Moving to the second prong of 20 this test. 21 THE COURT: I'm sorry, before you do 22 that -- 23 MR. ROTHMAN: Sure. 24 THE COURT: -- do the schedules 25 reflect the roughly 214 million dollar liability	1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 everybody, is not -- without criticizing 3 management, it's not well situated to negotiate a 4 plan on their behalf. 5 MR. ROTHMAN: I wanted to take that 6 up specifically, because when you cut through it 7 all that's really their only argument. From what I 8 can tell, that is their argument because under the 9 law you have what is called a duty to both 10 shareholders and to creditors. You cannot 11 adequately represent us -- well, that argument is 12 wrong in several respects. 13 First of all it's wrong on the law 14 and it doesn't make a lot of sense. If the law 15 didn't contemplate that a debtor could fulfill its 16 duty, a duty to both shareholders and creditors, it 17 wouldn't impose it. That wouldn't be the law. It 18 would say that that's an oxymoron. You can't serve 19 two masters, and that's not what the law says. It 20 says that the debtor has an obligation to the 21 various constituencies of the debtors, including 22 the creditors and the shareholders. And this is a 23 perfect case where the debtors have religiously 24 abided by and fulfilled that duty. 25 Their argument was made and
1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 that Mr. Wolfson said should be ignored? 3 MR. ROTHMAN: I don't know your 4 Honor. Again if we had some notice we would have 5 had notice to all these questions. We just don't 6 know. Let me move to the second wrong prong, 7 because I believe that that should dispose of this 8 in any event. Even if they had presented 9 cognizable proof of a substantial likelihood of a 10 meaningful recovery they failed to prove that the 11 appointment of an of another committee is likely. 12 There is no proof that the 13 management of this company has not fulfilled its 14 duty to respect and seek to further the interests 15 of equity here. They have not pointed to a single 16 thing that was done over the course of the past six 17 months or at any time which was contrary to the 18 interests of equity they haven't put on a witness, 19 they haven't put in a document, they have done 20 nothing and again they have proved the opposite. 21 They stood her and said we have a much better 22 chance of recovering since you denied our motion 23 than we did before. 24 THE COURT: What about their point 25 that management, just as it has duties to	1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 rejected, I should also add, in the Edison case. 3 It was a decision, I'll give you the site your 4 Honor by Chief Judge Robinson in Delaware 1996 WL 5 Westlaw 53 4853, 1996. And it was precisely the 6 argument that was made here which Judge Robinson 7 rejected. I'll read you a little bit. Chief Judge 8 Robinson said as follows: "The appellants argue 9 that an equity committee is needed because there 10 are 'inherent' conflicts of loyalty which render 11 inside shareholders 'legally incapable' of 12 representing the interests of public shareholders" 13 and I'll omit the cite. "Appellants point to the 14 fact that in a bankruptcy context, the directors 15 owe a fiduciary duty not only to shareholders but 16 also to creditors. Based on this assertion, 17 appellants argue that the 'debtors management in 18 this case or any other bankruptcy case as a matter 19 of law cannot exclusively advocate for the interest 20 of the shareholders, particularly as against 21 creditors.' Next paragraph. While appellants may 22 be correct in their observation that management 23 cannot exclusively advocate interest exclusively 24 advocate for the interest of the shareholders, the 25 statutory focus at Section 1102(a)(2) is not

<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 whether shareholders are exclusively represented, 3 but whether there are 'adequately represented.' 4 Until Congress recognizes that an inherent conflict 5 of interest exist between management and public 6 shareholders in a bankruptcy context that warrant 7 the mandatory appointment of an equity committee, 8 the statutory test remains adequate of 9 representation to be determined on the facts of 10 each case."</p> <p>11 So that's the law. And if it were 12 to the contrary, again you would have an equity 13 committee in most cases, but it's not the law. The 14 appointment of an equity committee is a rare 15 exception which is to be ordered in the discretion 16 of the court when the facts of a given case it is 17 clear that the appoint of a committee is necessary 18 as required to adequately protect the interests of 19 equity. And so we turn back to the facts of this 20 case and the evidence that has been presented by 21 these movants in order to discharge their burden. 22 And the answer is zero. No evidence. 23 Now, when I say no evidence, I mean 24 they have identified no act taken by the debtor, 25 they pointed to know interest in any evidence</p>	<p>74</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 not just the money that they spend it's the money 3 that they are going do cause others to have to 4 spend with whatever activities they engage in. And 5 we've seen that they are not shy. And in order to 6 get a sense as to why this motion is misguided, I 7 would suggest that we look back at the last few 8 months and look at what's happened since you denied 9 the motion the first time. As I said before, they 10 claimed in September that an equity committee was 11 necessary in order to protect their interest. Well 12 what has happened since then? First of all, we had 13 the Intelsat sale. What would they have added to 14 that process other than --</p> <p>15 THE COURT: All right. That's in 16 the past. Let me ask you this question. Do you 17 think it's practical to say that a committee can be 18 appointed with the sole responsibility of 19 participating in plan negotiations, not reviewing 20 actions out of the ordinary course, not doing any 21 of the other listed items that a committee may 22 under 1103 of the Code do, but simply participating 23 in plan negotiations.</p> <p>16 MR. ROTHMAN: In other words they 24 would have no role except and until plan</p>
<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 recognizable way to show that management is not 3 protecting or looking out their interests, and 4 indeed as I've said, the evidence shows to the 5 contrary, the evidence shows that they have 6 effectively proved that management has advanced 7 their interests. And in fact your Honor, you have 8 seen Mr. Schwartz. You've heard him testify and 9 you have seen and you have heard Mr. Zahler 10 testify.</p> <p>11 These people, are working with as 12 much skill as anybody has in this industry to turn 13 this company around. Their goal is not to simply 14 pay off creditors and throw all of the equity down 15 the tubes, including I might add their hone. Their 16 goal is to fulfill their duty to creditors and to 17 the equity holders and there has not been one iota 18 of proof that that's not exactly what they have 19 done and on that basis alone this motion should be 20 concerned.</p> <p>21 Now, I would also assert your Honor, 22 that the appoint of an equity committee here will 23 in all likelihood serve only to harm these estates, 24 not only by creating a significant drain on the 25 assets of the estates, and as I said before, that's</p>	<p>75</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 negotiations?</p> <p>3 THE COURT: They would obviously 4 will have to get up to speed and there would be 5 some cost in that but I'm assuming it that it will 6 be simply to insult takes with your investment 7 advisers and your investment advisors to do their 8 own analysis enable them to do an analyses of a 9 plan that would be proposed by the debtors.</p> <p>10 MR. ROTHMAN: Your Honor could I 11 defer answering that to for a few minutes, I would 12 like to consult before I do that. I think it's a 13 significant question.</p> <p>14 THE COURT: Okay.</p> <p>15 MR. ROTHMAN: Okay. The --</p> <p>16 THE COURT: Any way I understand, I 17 understand Your, Honor point about the cost and the 18 focus on what might have happened if a committee 19 had been appointed up to date.</p> <p>20 MR. ROTHMAN: Not just the cost.</p> <p>21 THE COURT: Well, the delay the 22 confusion.</p> <p>23 MR. ROTHMAN: This is an extremely 24 complicated business. It's complicated and 25 difficult from a committee standpoint it's</p>

78 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 complicated from a regular standpoint the for 3 example, for instance if you who look at what 4 happened in the APT situation. And by the way, if 5 you want to get a sense of the costs; in the 6 Intelsat litigation, the cost of the bank from what 7 I understand were about eight hundred thousand 8 dollars of cost to the committee, and I'm not 9 saying this in a critical way, I'm just saying this 10 is what life is like when the these types of 11 situations occur, and here they have occurred more 12 than once. The cost of the committee was something 13 in the order after of a million dollars. 14 So for the equity holders to say oh 15 well maybe we are talking about several hundred 16 thousand dollars a million dollars. It's nonsense 17 we are talking about millions of dollars and we are 18 talking about the an ad added cost that would flow 19 therefrom. 20 But going to the ATP situation what 21 you've seen is there and see elsewhere is 22 navigating through this regulatory environment in 23 the context of a bankruptcy is difficult enough. 24 So to add another cook in the kitchen to will make 25 I that much more difficult, and beginning, what</p>	80 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 all know, under the Code Section 503(b), to the 3 extent that they want to participate and they can 4 show that they have added substantial value, they 5 can obtain compensation. 6 One other thing, your Honor, and in 7 is that I think the schedule that's been talked 8 about for the plan negotiations is not quite as 9 represented or asserted by the movants counsel. I 10 understand that it's a little bit further down the 11 line. Ms. Fife can talk about that. But, let's go 12 now to the bottom line. They have completely 13 failed to show that they have been hurt in any 14 respect or that their interests haven't been 15 attended to in any way by the denial of the last 16 motion for by anything that's going on today. I 17 don't mean that only lawyers arguments I mean 18 evidence. There's a complete failure of proof on 19 this motion. 20 Second, they couldn't point to any 21 action that the management of this company has 22 taken that was not a reasonable exercise of the 23 judgment of this company, judgment of the 24 management that under mind their interest in any 25 way. In fact, they put in living color that the</p>
79 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 they haven't proven other than the advertisement 3 for Sonnenschein is they have anything substantial 4 to add. And I the reason I say to look back is 5 relevant is we haven't seen anything to date that 6 they would have done or added that was different we 7 haven't seen anything to date that has been done 8 that hurt their interests. 9 Now, the Kasper case which I 10 referred to earlier decided in July of this year, I 11 think is instructive. Because there as here, the 12 debtors started out as hopelessly insolvent and the 13 situation improved. And a motion was made to 14 appoint an equity committee just as here, in fact I 15 think someone saying firms may have been involved. 16 But there was no evidence there just as here that 17 the debtors had ignored their duty to the equity 18 holders. 19 And similarly, there are as here, 20 the debtors -- the equity holders had failed to 21 show, particularly the referred, that they needed a 22 committee. And the judge pointed out that they 23 were vocal and they could object to the plan when 24 they were -- when the plan was proposed they could 25 vote against it they could object to it, and as we</p>	81 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 management has furthered their interest. We would 3 submit that there should be no equity committee at 4 all, unless and until they can make a showing not 5 only that there's a substantial likelihood of a 6 meaningful recovery by equity that but that the 7 management is not acting in the interest of equity 8 consistent with their fiduciary duty and that they 9 have something substantial to do that. They have 10 not done that. 11 THE COURT: What about Mr. 12 Yetnikoff, Mr. Yetnikoff's point, and Mr. Wolfson 13 echoes it? The debtor and its professionals are 14 just not going to talk to them and won't negotiate 15 anything. 16 MR. ROTHMAN: What I would say to 17 you to that is we will talk to them we will provide 18 information in fact Ms. Fife had a dialogue with 19 one of the movants counsel and I will say to you 20 today that is something that we will do, and I 21 think that is all they need. 22 MS. FIFE: Your Honor, if I may. I 23 have a discussion with the attorneys for the 24 preferred stockholders last night and agreed that 25 subject to an appropriate confidentiality agreement</p>

<p>82</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 we would provide them with the business plan and in 3 addition we would make management available to them 4 to address any of their issues and concerns. 5 And in light of that I think the 6 answer to your earlier question is it's not 7 necessary to appoint a committee in order to have 8 the preferred participate in the negotiations of 9 the of a plan of reorganization. Because we are 10 perfectly willing to do that with them individually 11 and give them the information that's necessary in 12 order to enable them to that. And if they do in 13 fact create value and need the substantiation of 14 503(b), they would be awarded compensation from the 15 estate.</p> <p>16 THE COURT: Okay. 17 MR. ROTHMAN: I have nothing 18 further. 19 MR. BOTTER: Good afternoon your 20 Honor. David Botter, of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer 21 and Feld on behalf of the official creditors' 22 committee. 23 Your Honor, I was going to take a 24 walk through some of the changed circumstances from 25 two months ago to, today but I think we all know</p>	<p>84</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 record before this court today. There are 3 publicly filed documents. There are Ks and Qs 4 that are going to be in the evidentiary record 5 today. And if you look at those Ks and Qs, you 6 will see that the debtors aren't solvent based upon 7 those Ks and Qs. 8 And Mr. Wolfson, as we all probably 9 like to think, has fairly good financial savvy. 10 And as bankruptcy practitioner, I think, by hanging 11 around all the banking firms, we all get to know a 12 little bit about how to read a balance sheet and 13 the ins and outs. But Mr. Wolfson can't testify as 14 to facts today; he can only -- we can only take a 15 look at the evidence that's properly in the record 16 today. And if you look at the September Q, you see 17 that these debtors are insolvent by a factor of 7 18 hundred million dollars. 19 Now it's true that Mr. Wolfson 20 pointed out some issues on the liability side of 21 the balance sheet, but your Honor I think stated 22 before that there may be some things on the asset 23 side of the balance sheet overstated too. If you 24 look at the asset side of the balance sheet, we 25 have 1.8 billion dollars of PP&E. We all know,</p>
<p>83</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 what they are; the IntelSat sale happened, or an 3 order approving the sale has been entered. The 4 terms of increased value we are only talking about 5 25 million dollars of increased value from the 6 auction of those assets. We also talked about or 7 have heard a lot about the SS/L new contracts. And 8 the committee has said on more than one occasion 9 that those are good things, that those are happy 10 events for these estates, but they're contracts, 11 and they are contracts for the debtors to provide 12 services. And we've heard about 25 million dollars 13 times 3 with respect to the DIRECTV and PanAmSat 14 contracts, but those are deposits, your Honor. 15 They are just deposits. And we've heard that the 16 contracts are commercially profitable contracts for 17 the debtors. But that doesn't add hundreds of 18 millions of dollars of value to the SS/L estate, 19 they are just contracts for the debtors to produce 20 something and there will be a profit margin 21 associated with the debtors producing new 22 satellites, but again, it's not hundreds of 23 millions of dollars. 24 I think, your Honor, what we should 25 do today is focus on the facts that are in the</p>	<p>85</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 we've all seen assets of PP&E type assets being 3 substantially overstated on balance sheet. 4 So while I can look at this balance 5 sheet and point out some issues as well, at the end 6 of the day I'm not going to testify, and your Honor 7 can't consider what I'm saying as part of the 8 evidentiary record. All your Honor really should 9 be considering is that on the assets side of that 10 balance sheet, which is on page 4 of 112, as Mr. 11 Wolfson pointed out, you have 2.45 billion dollars 12 of assets. On the liability side of the balance 13 sheet, you have over 3 billion dollars of 14 liabilities. To me that's insolvent. And that's 15 the evidence that's in the record today. 16 And in fact, your Honor, that 17 evidence was in the record in September when we 18 considered the very same issue. 19 THE COURT: That does include the 20 preferred -- you agree with that. 21 MR. BOTTER: Your Honor, if it's 22 appropriate to deduct it out you get down to 2.9 23 billion dollars of liabilities, so you are talking 24 about five hundred million dollars of insolvency 25 and it's still substantial.</p>

<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 THE COURT: I'm sorry. Ultimately 3 this isn't that important, but don't you get down 4 to 2.6 something, doesn't it go down to from 2.9 5 you take away 225 million and you get down to 2.6. 6 MR. BOTTER: Your Honor, I thought 7 that the number I had total liability was 3.56 8 billion -- I'm sorry your Honor, that's right that 9 includes if you go to 2.9 you get to 2.6 still 10 almost 2 hundred million dollars out of the money. 11 THE COURT: Okay. 12 MR. BOTTER: Your Honor even if you 13 were to form an Intelsat sale and the assets, Mr. 14 Yetnikoff says that the assets are 3 hundred 15 million dollars off the book you are still out of 16 the money. What is also in the record and I think 17 your Honor we all agree that bond price are what 18 they are and I think we all agree that the bond 19 prices were 75 cents either yesterday or today, on 20 the Orion bonds and 42 cents on the LTD bonds. If 21 you add up those numbers, your Honor, you're 22 talking about a total solvency gap of 321 million 23 dollars. And I don't believe, that if you add up 24 those numbers and take them into account post 25 petition interests that would be required on 1.7</p>	<p>86</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 part of that evidentiary burden would be to 3 demonstrate that in fact the value only justified 4 the distributions to the creditors and nothing for 5 the equity. And we would have to satisfy that 6 burden, just like today the movants are supposed to 7 satisfy their burden of proving the Williams 8 standard that there's potential for meaningful 9 distribution of cases. 10 And even if you consider and take 11 what it's worth, Mr. Wolfson said about the balance 12 sheet and I don't think it's fair to do that but 13 even if you take what it's worth is 6 million 14 dollars of excess value, I would think that 15 Sonnenschein and Channon, or whomever they were to 16 engage, could run through a big portion of the 6 17 million dollars fairly quickly. And it strikes me 18 in a case of billions of dollars of claims that 6 19 million dollars, or whatever that came out to after 20 you satisfy their professional fees, constitutes of 21 meaningful distribution. But again, that 6 million 22 dollars of potential recovery that's not the 23 evidence before your Honor today, it's not just not 24 there. 25 At the end of the day, I think your</p>
<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 billion dollars of claims that come before the 3 preferred and certainly come before the common. 4 Those are the facts that are in the 5 record today. Mr. Wolfson, and Mr. Yetnikoff had 6 have argued that the creditors committee is the 7 only thing that stands in their way. And I 8 think -- well, the creditors' committee is 7 9 members but we do represent 1.7 billion dollars of 10 debt. 11 But I think that there is another 12 person that stands in their way of the creditors 13 committee cramming down a plan that's inappropriate 14 over the objection of equity, and I think that's 15 your Honor. If we were to come in and we were -- 16 had a wonderful situation and that wonderful 17 situation said that 1.7 billion dollars 6 unsecured 18 claims were being paid in full with appropriate 19 post petition interests and there was not one penny 20 above those amounts which would probably be almost 21 2 billion dollars in interest, therefore common is 22 entitled to nothing, I think your Honor would 23 require that we satisfy -- we and the debtors 24 satisfy our evidentiary burden of cramming down 25 such a plan over the objections of equity. And</p>	<p>87</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 Honor will be the ultimate arbiter of whether or 3 not the committee of the unsecured creditors' 4 estates can cram down a plan upon equity that is 5 not fair and equitable. And I think that your 6 Honor will take very seriously the valuation 7 testimony, the appropriate valuation testimony that 8 you'll hear at that point in time, and your Honor 9 will be the ultimate protection for the evil deeds 10 that the creditors' committee may do here. 11 I think that there's one other point 12 I would like to make. Your Honor asked Mr. Rothman 13 as to whether or not it would be practical or 14 impractical to for an equity committee to be 15 appointed with limited role of just plan 16 negotiations. Your Honor, I have been with this 17 case since July 24th, probably too many hours every 18 single day, and I think it's fair to say that every 19 single matter that that has occurred in these cases 20 has or could effect, ultimately, plan negotiations. 21 Let's just take for an example, we have a hearing 22 on before your Honor on Thursday, I believe, with 23 respect to a settlement of APT. 24 The APT settlement involves 25 transponder space on T-18 satellite that is to be</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">90</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 launched in April. There is a question as to which 3 debtor entity is going to own this transponder 4 space. So if you were, for example, an Orion 5 creditor and ultimately you think that you should 6 own this transponder space, that's going to 7 ultimately affect the value of the Orion estate 8 when we talk about plan negotiation. 9 Similarly, if you are an SS/L 10 creditor and you're getting the benefits 11 potentially of this settlement, that also will 12 affect the SS/L estate down the road. So I don't 13 think it's going to be practical for us to separate 14 a committee out to just deal with plan 15 negotiations, because everything in this case 16 affects plan negotiations. And I also think, your 17 Honor, with the evidence before you, the committee 18 should not be burdened, or the unsecured creditors 19 should not be burdened with paying substantial fees 20 of attorneys and investment bankers for equity 21 which is based upon all of the evidence before you 22 today, it's completely out of the ordinary. And I 23 think, your Honor, the motion should be denied. 24 THE COURT: Okay. 25 MR. HUEBNER: Good morning, your</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">92</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 million dollars are trading at 75 cents. So you 3 take 25 percent which is missing, and you add those 4 two numbers and you add -- that's 386 million which 5 we'll talk about in a minute when we will talk 6 about the preferreds. So at a minimum before you 7 get to any equity of any kind, there is a 386 8 million dollar deficit based on current market 9 values of what people are actually paying based on 10 the value of the of this recovery. When you add 11 in, as Mr. Wolfson testified, the 237 million 12 dollars of liquidation preferred 386 plus 237 is 13 220 million dollars. 14 So in terms of the common your 15 Honor, I think there is really no legitimate 16 argument, even at facially legitimate argument that 17 the common is anywhere near in the money, 623 18 million dollars is many multiples of most 19 bankruptcy cases, and I think that's where the 20 market is. 21 Now let's talk about book value for 22 a minute, because the own two pieces of evidence we 23 argument that are we have before us at all are the 24 bond trading braces when which we all sort of 25 agreed Dow Jones, Roiters interactive printout; we</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">91</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 Honor. I'm Marshall Huebner the firm of Davis Polk 3 and Wardwell on behalf of Bank of America as agent. 4 Your Honor I think it's very 5 important at the as outset to separate out the 6 preferred and the common. I think they are 7 represented by different parties and they line up 8 differently economically and I think each of their 9 different motions need to be denied in for 10 different reasons. And your Honor I would like to 11 first talk start with the common in fact their own 12 evidence the undisputed evidence shows a different 13 financial situation. 14 Your Honor, looking at the values of 15 the publicly traded securities introduced by the 16 movants, the common stock in this case is at a 17 minimum 623 million dollars out of the many money 18 based on the current marketplaces praise prices. 19 623 million dollars. That assumes no post petition 20 interest which could in and of itself be hundreds 21 of millions of dollars. To be clear, so that the 22 numbers are in front of everybody, the parent bonds 23 are trading at 39 and a half, there are 350 million 24 dollars of those bonds; the debtor can sit on those 25 bonds. The Orion bonds of which there is 7 hundred</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">93</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 although know those are ascertainable and agreed 3 and the 10-Q that was handed up is the 10-Q. So 4 what Mr. Wolfson told us based on his numbers is 5 that the book value for preferred is 6 million 6 dollars. Now it's, of course, curious after 7 encouraging the court to take various deductions of 8 his choosing if the to a number that just barely 9 showed the preferred in the money. But let's take 10 that just for a moment pay it as take it at not as 11 a coincidence but truth and also at the moment take 12 it at as evidence and not an appropriate surprise 13 legal speculation. So what though shows 6 million 14 and subtract 237 million and even based on York in 15 the worlds most Pollyannish optimistic world, the 16 common is still several hundred million dollars out 17 of the money. Now your Honor actually ruled, you 18 know you sort of issued an opinion on this stuff. 19 You went on at the last hearing on this issue and 20 your Honor in fact noted for the benefit of all 21 parties and this is a page 65 of the transcript, 22 book days basis in which normally shows a greater 23 value than the Chapter 11 cases. So 24 unsurprisingly, your Honor is exactly where your 25 Honor knows that these cases are, which is the book</p>

<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 value deficit of 231 million dollars common, the 3 real world deficit, based on what sophisticated 4 players watching these actually put real money on 5 the line for says they are 623 million dollars out 6 of the loan money. So I think the estimate isn't 7 even a facially legitimate argument they deserve a 8 reason that's just a couple of reasons. 9 And just to highlight a couple very 10 quickly your Honor the second thing that your Honor 11 pointed out as people on this other table have 12 indicated and in fact it's your Honor's view the 7 13 million dollars of legal fees and financial 14 advisors fees, is really not -- that's not the way 15 I you waive burden; that potentially the even more 16 important burden is the burden on the process of 17 having multiple people, and now I'll add a little 18 bit to it, who don't have a real economic stake or 19 a legitimate economic stake in the enterprise to 20 being at the table. And so, your Honor, you know 21 specifically that the indirect cost and burdens, 22 which could be much more important than the direct 23 cost and burdens, have to be weighed. 24 The third thing your Honor that you 25 ruled is it's rare such a motion is granted and</p>	<p>94</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 nobody has brought any evidence to say yes or no on 3 these massive new contracts there's an 89 percent 4 profit margin and 3 hundred million dollars of new 5 value, there's nothing. 6 So the common equity, and we'll 7 certainly move on in a moment, presents zero 8 evidence, zero.zero zero evidence; didn't even try, 9 in support of an extraordinary motion where it's 10 their burden, that is rarely granted that you ruled 11 on a month ago and told them what they would need 12 to show. I won't cite the rest of the transcripts, 13 I'm sure it was entered and I'm sure the court 14 remembers it, but you actually talked about the 15 kind of show stopping change in direction at the 16 auction that would be necessary to have them come 17 back and seek relief. None of that happened, the 18 auction ended almost exactly as it had started, 19 albeit a very small incremental addition to the 20 purchase price. So that's a comment, because they 21 are not the same, and I think they deserve the 22 respect, I think, of being addressed separately. 23 Now there's the preferred. Let 24 leave aside, just for a moment, because I think 25 it's a pure question of law that's alleged in Mr.</p>
<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 that's that the movants have a Plaintiff's 3 transcript error an a heavy error to give the 4 committee that's at page 63. So you gave everybody 5 fair warning and as the cases say in this district 6 it's extraordinary, it's heavy burden fact rarely 7 granted. So what facts what evidence did the 8 equity proponents the common equity proponents 9 bring to this court. Well, your Honor we didn't 10 actually get up and have testifies with them 11 because we they didn't testify as lawyers they 12 didn't have testimony at all. Not a piece of 13 evidence, not an exhibit introduced not an 14 affidavit, not a witness. You told them plain and 15 simple, it's rare, it's extraordinary, you have a 16 very heavy evidentiary burden. All that's happened 17 is that the Intelsat auction, which we don't -- 18 frankly ended very quickly after EchoStar turned 19 and left, gartered 25 million in addition. And Mr. 20 Botter pointed out, and I'll advocate for the other 21 side the court should take judicial notice of the 22 fact that there are a couple of large dollar amount 23 deposits made on new contracts. Not an asset 24 there's an offsetting liability for those 25 contracts. Who even knows if they are profitable</p>	<p>95</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 Royter's testimony and attached in the exhibits as 3 to whether the lack of evidence or the hidden 4 expert problem presented to us by Mr. Wolfson's 5 presentation isn't appropriate at all. Let's just 6 look at what he said. What he said is look your 7 Honor almost two years ago the market knew that 8 this company was on the way down and was having 9 serious financial difficulties. Almost two years 10 ago, believe me, your Honor, here's my surprise 11 exhibit, the bonds were trading below par, but the 12 book value was still high. That's right. That 13 proves as you already ruled, that book value is not 14 a reliable indicator of value because it's an 15 artificial thing that takes purchase price times 16 depreciation and often has little relevance to real 17 world values, that's why market values matter, 18 because they show what a sophisticate informed the 19 marketplace actually think this is actually worth. 20 So unsurprisingly, what the chart actually proves 21 is that the company's fortune is deteriorated, the 22 market price of securities went down because the 23 people acknowledged reality, and as good things 24 have happened, market prices went up as there were 25 dramatic exciting new development, market prices</p>

98 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 went back up. That's exactly the point, market 3 value matters a lot because in the capitalist world 4 that we leave in, the market is presumed to be a 5 fairly accurate indicator. So when the Intelsat 6 sale was announced, the market prices of the bonds 7 went up. I should know, your honor, because what 8 the chart also shows, which is confirmed by 9 Roiters, is that in the last month and a half the 10 mark value of the securities has gone down by 78 11 million dollars. The prices that peaked in the 12 excitement immediately in the aftermath of the 13 Intelsat sale have gone down by 70 million dollars. 14 So it should not for one minute be thought -- he 15 wanted to focus you one part of this chart, but as 16 you said, you don't need a history lesson, you're 17 here to talk about the current situation in the 18 future, the market is actually getting a little bit 19 less optimistic about the fortunes of this company. 20 78 million dollars worth less optimistic since 21 October 20th. 22 Your Honor, let's take a minute and 23 actually look at his illustrious exhibit, because 24 while none of us is prepared for, I think it's very 25 important to give you an indication of the slight</p>	100 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 50 million dollar range. Poof, 6.617 million 3 dollars is now negative 40 million. 4 Two, he assumes no closing costs of 5 any kind. He took the gross number of the wire 6 transfer by Intelsat and is simply deducting that 7 from the debtors' balance sheet assuming no cost. 8 In fact, the debtors' have projected the sale to be 9 in 10s of millions of dollars. Poof, negative 44 10 million dollars is probably now negative 84 11 million. Three, he took the value of the lease, he 12 added an asset to the balance sheet without putting 13 in any corresponding liability. Like the satellite 14 purchase contract, this isn't a lottery ticket that 15 the debtors' found, this is a contractual 16 relationship that they are entering into that is 17 going to cost them a lot of money to perform. 18 So what seems like a 261 million 19 deduct, is in fact probably more like a very small 20 deduct. And what it clearly proves, even assuming 21 everything else he says, is that even on a book 22 value basis which is much higher, as he proved to 23 us and this court already ruled, an actual basis 24 the preferred are probably in the 10s, and probably 25 still hundreds of millions of dollars still out of</p>
99 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 of hand Mr. Wolfson engaged in in an attempt to 3 demonstrate the preferred, which -- 4 MR. WOLFSON: Your Honor, I'm going 5 to object to the continued innuendos and 6 inappropriate statements; slight of hand, 7 advertising law firm. 8 THE COURT: I'm just taking it as 9 rhetoric. 10 MR. ROTHMAN: Let me point out the 11 gross inaccuracies in Mr. Wolfson's exhibit so it's 12 clear, if one fairly looked at his numbers, they 13 would in fact look like. Let's start with this 14 first one, which again, none of us had any time to 15 prepare for. 16 Mr. Wolfson represented to this 17 court that the sale of Intelsat assets is 261 18 million dollars, and therefore that should simply 19 be deducted and that yields the book value. Of 20 course what he does he assumes lots of things 21 which are inappropriate, and if he had put on a 22 witness, the witness would have got the skewed. 23 One, he assumes no purchase price adjustment, and I 24 think the debtors told you that they are currently 25 striking a purchase price adjustment in the 40 to</p>	101 <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 the money. And that's without giving them the 3 benefit of the doubt entirely, because I'm not 4 sophisticated enough to know what he's talking 5 about when he said, and, your Honor deduct 237 6 million, and your Honor deduct another 214 million, 7 and if you do all those things and sort of hold it 8 sideways and look at it through a prism, I'm in the 9 money. 10 My apologies for the rhetoric, but I 11 think it's sort of important to note when somebody 12 sort of tells you, as Mr. Botter said, take column 13 nine on page 63 and deduct it from page 72 and move 14 it over and multiply it by page 41, there is 15 something a lot more sophisticated going on, and 16 the one that I do know about, which is the Intelsat 17 sale, the number is nothing remotely likely 18 representing to be, for reasons I think without 19 even putting a financial advisor on the stand, is 20 fairly obvious. 21 THE COURT: How much is the bank 22 debt again? 23 MR. HUEBNER: It's about 59.8 24 million -- well, it might be 73.5 million, it 25 depends on whose amortization you're using.</p>

<p>102</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 THE COURT: Thank you. 3 MR. HUEBNER: So, now let's talk 4 about the other prong of the law, because there is 5 sort of two requirements as I think we all agree, 6 and we are all citing the same cases to your Honor, 7 since I think the common is over 6 hundred million 8 dollars and I don't think there's that much to 9 focus on, the preferreds, you know, may be closer 2 10 hundred million out, maybe they are 250 million 11 out, maybe they 300 million out, maybe they are 12 180, I don't know. I'm certainly not going to 13 testify as their financial advisor. But there are 14 two prongs for this extraordinary relief. One of 15 them is substantial equity of a meaningful 16 distribution which we already talked about, and 17 that's a factual question that they bear a heavy 18 burden on and need to put on evidence. 19 But the second prong, your Honor, is 20 whether they are unable to represent their 21 interests without an official committee. And here 22 it's important to note that the preferred holders 23 are totally different than the common holders. 24 This isn't a law firm in a class action type way, 25 of trying to find a bunch of individuals to sew</p>	<p>104</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 think it's fair to say that this small cadre of 3 high roller preferred holders, are "unable to 4 represent their interests without a committee 5 representing them." They own 23 percent of it, 6 that's a pretty slug. 7 I think it's also important to note, 8 as was true the last time around, that the United 9 States trustee, which is an official arm of the 10 government, which is responsible for providing 11 independent, thoughtful guidance in decision making 12 of these issues, again noted that in light of the 13 changed circumstances, they have carefully reviewed 14 the request and all the of the available evidence 15 and don't feel that the relief is appropriate. And 16 certainly, your Honor, I think the case law has 17 long since been clear, your Honor is not bound by 18 the decisions made by the U.S. Trustee. But I 19 think it's important to note that they don't have 20 any of their own money on the line in this case, 21 and they are not shy in this district or in any 22 other district in supporting committees where they 23 think it's appropriately. But they looked at it 24 independently, and they think it is not 25 appropriate.</p>
<p>103</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 together to come in and get an assignment of 3 something, this is three totally sophisticated 4 financial players who own at a minimum 54.5 million 5 dollars of liquidation preference of preferred 6 stock. 7 These are not people who are unable 8 to represent their interests without an official 9 committee, this isn't the great defuse individual 10 holders, these people paid hundreds, or a minimum 11 of ten, but probably hundreds of millions of 12 dollars for these securities. They are a small 13 group of very sophisticated people familiar with 14 these issues. They find their own counsel, the 15 counsel finds financial advisers. These are the 16 exact example of people who don't deserve an 17 official committee. Why does a group of three 18 sophisticated preferred holders who are probably 19 out of the money deserve an official committee with 20 all the extraordinary costs and burdens and 21 invasions on the estate, any more than EchoStar 22 deserves an official committee or trade creditors 23 deserves an official committee. 24 I just think if you took look at the 25 second prong, which also has to be satisfied, I</p>	<p>105</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 Finally, your Honor, you asked a 3 question of somebody, and I'll take the political 4 eve of trying to answer it, whether the debtors 5 have incentive for getting equity back from the 6 money and are likely to do it on their own. From 7 my perspective, and I may have slightly misphrased 8 your question, but that's not going to happen 9 without an official committee. 10 THE COURT: No, that wasn't it. I 11 think the debtors have every incentive to maximize 12 the value of the estate. I think they have been 13 doing that. My question I think was answered by 14 Mr. Rothman, which is when you get to the plan 15 negotiations, how bonds the board and management 16 adequately represent the shareholders in plan 17 negotiations. 18 MR. HUEBNER: Your Honor, just for a 19 minute, I have two answers. One is the law, which 20 is, among other things, there's an important 21 decision that was before Justice Cody in re 22 Ferrera, which again makes clear that the duty of 23 the boards in a development sovereignty, and you 24 heard a lot about this, as I'm sure you remember, 25 at the sale hearing, is to maximize the value of</p>

<p>106</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 the enterprise. Even the very notion of a split 3 duty is an inaccurate statement of the law of 4 fiduciary duties in its own insolvency. What the 5 debtors have done here is perfectly clear, which is 6 to create as much value as possible. And obviously 7 mathematically, the minute that expands, it should 8 ask what is available and it goes to equity. 9 The second reason, your Honor, I 10 think the debtors have every incentive to create 11 value is, as I think we also noted in the last few 12 weeks, although I think the problem is the dynamics 13 have changed recently, these have been fairly 14 litigious cases with a fair amount of 15 unpleasantness. And my guess is that the debtors 16 the management have lots of reasons to insure the 17 dollar is maximized including ensuring that the 18 appropriate value gets added and ensuring that the 19 creditors' committee maintains their creditor 20 status or paid off the by the equity status. 21 So at the end of the day, your 22 Honor, I think for slightly different reasons, 23 neither request is appropriate, when you look at 24 the common, they are so many hundreds of millions 25 of dollars out of the money, once you put the</p>	<p>108</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 that Mr. Wolfson and his firm represent, I think 3 this is the textbook cases of where the committee 4 is not required. 5 MS. LANDSBAUM: Good afternoon, your 6 Honor. Lauren Landsbaum of the U.S. Trustee's 7 office. I'm not going to repeat the law or the 8 facts that you've already heard, I'm just going to 9 tell you the U.S. Trustee has fully and fairly 10 considered the requests and both requests. As far 11 as preferred shareholders go, we received the 12 joinder without any notification; usually the 13 process is that you write the U.S. Trustee a letter 14 requesting a committee, and then you give the U.S. 15 Trustee time to responds and give them time file a 16 motion or stipulation that the preferred share 17 holders have filed a joinder, and then about a 18 month later, a couple weeks ago I did receive a 19 letter formally requesting the appointment of a 20 preferred shareholders committee. 21 The U.S. Trustee has not responded 22 yet but I was told, I get almost phone calls from 23 the preferred shareholders counsel indicating that 24 they would have filed their own motion had they had 25 time. And I find it disingenuous when I come to</p>
<p>107</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 preferred in front of them, it's actually 3 unprecedented to say that they have any reasonable 4 likelihood of a substantial recovery. No evidence, 5 even Mr. Wolfson's evidence, suggests that they 6 were within the three hundred million dollars of 7 striking range, even in the newest proceed state of 8 affairs. 9 As the preferred committee, again, I 10 think in their own presentation, if you were to 11 admit any of it into evidence, other than the 10-Qs 12 that show the debtor is insolvent, absent Mr. 13 Wolfson's modifications, show that they are also 14 sever hundred million dollars out of the money, but 15 as importantly, since their argument is 237 million 16 dollars stronger than the issuance of substantial 17 likelihood, is the second prong, which is they 18 needed to show that they are unable to represent 19 their interest without an official committee. And 20 I think that given the debtors' representation that 21 they have told them that if they sign a 22 confidentiality agreement, that they will be 23 provided with the information, given their 24 incentive to get the preferreds back into the money 25 and given the extreme sophistication of the clients</p>	<p>109</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 this hearing today, and obviously they have had 3 time to assemble a lot evidence and hired experts 4 to then present evidence to the court. The 5 evidence that the U.S. Trustee did fully and fairly 6 consider shows that as of today the debtor is 7 insolvent, and that there would be no return to 8 equity and the up kick in business is not going to 9 provide any return to equity. And based on the 10 fact the U.S. Trustee believes the debtor is 11 insolvent, and the fact that their shareholders, 12 particularly the preferred shareholders, are 13 ability to adequately represent themselves, the 14 U.S. Trustee does not believe that an appoint of an 15 equity committee is appropriate at this time. That 16 does not mean that the U.S. trustee will not 17 reconsider this upon new evidence that is 18 presented, but as the case is now and the evidence 19 is before your Honor, the U.S. Trustee believes the 20 appoint of an equity committee is not appropriate 21 at this time. 22 THE COURT: Okay. 23 MR. SOMERSTEIN: Good afternoon, 24 your Honor. Mark Somerstein of Kelly Drye and 25 Warren for HSBC Bank, USA indentured Trustee. Your</p>

<p>110</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 Honor, my client is the indentured trustee, and 3 I'll note for the record that we join in the 4 objections of the official committee of unsecured 5 creditors. I don't think I need to belabor the 6 record, but just to note my understanding of the 7 case is really, in constituency with my client who 8 represents what appears to be the equity here, and 9 it's unfortunate but that seems to be the case. 10 MR. WOLFSON: May I just briefly 11 respond? 12 THE COURT: Yes, briefly. 13 MR. WOLFSON: Your Honor, just a 14 couple of points. First let me speak, counsel for 15 the debtor kept referring to Kasper as the case in 16 point. And I think Kasper is a case in point. In 17 Kasper, we did see the appointment of an equity 18 committee, the judge with the objections of the 19 debts and the creditors' committee in that case 20 denied it and then a few weeks later or a month or 21 so later the U.S. trustee appointed a committee 22 took six weeks to designate the members of that 23 committee and the equity committee actually got 24 appointed probably about weeks at most prior to the 25 hearing on disclosure statement, so late in the</p>	<p>112</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 I did consult with Channon last 3 night, not as an expert witness, but just simply 4 using their tools to consolidate information that I 5 know that financial advisers can readily do and 6 they can extract information from the SEC. They 7 are not presenting testimony with respect to the 8 values; what they are showing you is right out of 9 the debtors' Qs and their Ks, what -- and factually 10 what is going on in this case. 11 Congress did not say that in order 12 to appoint an equity committee we have to show that 13 management is bad, whether they are doing something 14 inappropriate. We are glad this management is 15 turning things around business-wise. The fact that 16 they are doing it and improving things does not 17 mean that you do not get a committee. The case law 18 suggests that are you or are you not hopelessly 19 insolvent that is the primary issues. And I don't 20 think based on this record anyone can conclude that 21 this entity is hopelessly insolvent. Now can 22 management adequately represent the committee in or 23 the equity holders in plan negotiations. Judge 24 you've seen an awful lot of cases on both sides of 25 the bench, and I think you understand the</p>
<p>111</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 game that you couldn't really do anything 3 meaningful. If there's going to be an equity 4 committee appointed, it needs to be done at a 5 timely manner not at the very last minute. 6 Circumstances do change but our committee -- this 7 is our first appearance requesting a committee, we 8 were not here at the original filing by the equity 9 committee; this is the first request by the 10 preferreds for a committee, and I think that the 11 lessons that one learns historically do demonstrate 12 Kasper is a case in point where unfortunately and 13 to save a couple of bucks I think they lost an 14 awful lot of value for the preferred. I was 15 confused also by the debtors comments by parties 16 standing up saying there may be some recovery but 17 at the same time immediately thereafter stating we 18 have not demonstrated any likelihood ever 19 substantial distribution individual shareholders 20 are not capable and not usually, it's not 21 economically viable for them to go out, hire 22 financial advisers, spend hundreds of thousand of 23 dollars trying to do a financial advisory analyses 24 just to request the appointment of a committee. 25 It's just not done.</p>	<p>113</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 realities. In this case if you take a look at 3 their own 10-K and 10-Qs, they have reported no 4 less than seven class actions filed by shareholders 5 against the board members. These are the board 6 members that are going to represent the -- 7 THE COURT: Wasn't that Mr. 8 Huebner's point? If they didn't have the normal 9 incentive, they would have an incentive too? 10 MR. WOLFSON: No, your Honor. I 11 think their incentive is going to be, and you will 12 see this, is for an utter release for all the board 13 members right in the plan. They are going to seek 14 an extension of the 524(e) rule, and I guarantee 15 you that officers and board members of this were 16 are going to seek a complete and utter release at 17 the same time the plan an all but going on wipe out 18 the equity holders if the creditors get their way 19 maybe have a token amount their warrants and come 20 before you they are got not going to be able to 21 adequately and properly and fully property the 22 committee and equity holders. The management, we 23 are talking about management, management is 24 interested, and they have conflicts, Judge, they 25 cannot look solely and represent our interests</p>

<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 while at the same time being expected to disregard 3 their own. They are interested management in 4 interested in their jobs going forward they are 5 interested in equity in the reorganized equity and 6 I think on that basis we are they are going to be 7 seeking primary equity. 8 MR. ROTHMAN: Your Honor I object 9 again he doesn't didn't put on any evidence about 10 management of this company that was that would 11 support any of this. All this is speculation by a 12 lawyer; it has nothing to do with the case. 13 MR. WOLFSON: Judge, the problem and 14 what counsel is suggesting, is a boot strapping 15 possibility catch 22 argument. He doesn't want to 16 seek to argue what common sense and experience can 17 demonstrate, we should wait to see what's in the 18 plan when it's way to late to seek the appointment 19 of an equity committee. I don't know what plan 20 they are going to propose, I admit that, but I 21 think historically we can listen to their comments. 22 He stands up and tells you there is no likelihood 23 of substantial recovery for equity holders. What 24 does that mean? And at the same time he tells you, 25 well, were working real hard --</p>	<p>114</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 MR. BOTTER: Did he call me a dog? 3 MR. WOLFSON: While you have a dog 4 left in this fight. 5 Judge, we know how these large cases 6 go; unless management is able to stand up here and 7 advocate there's value and they are not seeking 8 releases and be able to demonstrate the ability to 9 represent bond holders this is why in a large case 10 such as this with vast amount of shareholders out 11 there this is the precise nature of the case in the 12 real world that calls for a committee. 13 Furthermore, it's interesting that counsel for the 14 banks says look at the Martin value pay no 15 attention to the book values that's all we have to 16 go with right now since we don't have anybody 17 that's opining on enterprise values going forward; 18 you can't do that until you see the business plan. 19 It would be a folly, there's no basis upon which 20 you can do this at this point. But for counsel for 21 the bank to get up and say I'm playing with mirrors 22 here; you want to talk about inappropriate, that's 23 inappropriate. 24 The language of a 10-Q and 10-K 25 should be in English. It should be understandable</p> <p>116</p>
<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 MR. ROTHMAN: Excuse me. That's not 3 what I said. What I said quoted from their brief 4 at page five which says the test is whether there 5 is a substantial likelihood that equity will 6 receive a meaningful distribution. That's what I 7 said; that's what the law is. 8 MR. WOLFSON: And he said there is 9 no substantial likelihood, that we haven't 10 demonstrated it. He's not coming in here, this 11 debtor. I would have a little more comfort if the 12 debtor was coming in here and saying, hey we think 13 there is going to be a substantial likelihood of 14 some success and some distribution to equity 15 holders. How come they are not saying that? They 16 are not saying it's hopelessly insolvent, they are 17 not saying that and yet at the same time they are 18 saying we expect there will be, his quote, was 19 there may be some recovery. Well if there's going 20 to be some recovery for preferred shareholders, and 21 since nobody has argued, other than the creditors' 22 committee, and the banks are going to be getting 23 paid in full and are gone in a couple of weeks, I 24 don't really understand why they have a dog left in 25 this fight.</p>	<p>115</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 to an investor, and yes even to a bankruptcy 3 lawyer; this one is pretty clear. It says we sold 4 the value of the assets for a billion 25 million. 5 It says a contract is being assumed by the 6 purchaser for an additional 50 million dollars, 7 it's assumed, it's gone; it's off the balance 8 sheet. If there's a 10 15 percent adjustment that 9 need to be made to these numbers, well, that 10 belongs in the 10-Q. If they are not making those 11 adjustments, and there's 40 or 50 million dollars 12 of adjustments and 30 million dollars of expenses, 13 that should be have been in the 10-Q for us normal 14 people to understand. 15 THE COURT: Doesn't it alert people 16 there may well be an adjustment? 17 MR. HUEBNER: In the parenthetical. 18 MR. WOLFSON: And it may be, but not 19 15 20 percent that they are suggesting. And even 20 if that's the case, and I'm no not here to prove to 21 you beyond a doubt that this company is solvent, 22 that's not the standard. The standard is, is this 23 things -- when you look at the cases, you look at 24 Williams any of the cases in which is equity 25 committee is being bend denied in those situations.</p> <p>117</p>

<p>118</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 there is hopeless insolvency. There are billions 3 of dollars of gaps in a public company between 4 creditors, bond holders and equity. You look at 5 any of the cases which that happens, its always 6 enormous; it's never this type. It's bonds trading 7 at five cents, at 10 cents on the dollar; not 75 8 cents or 42 cents. When it trades at 75 cents, as 9 your Honor is probably aware, for the most part 10 these are people buying the bonds in the secondary 11 market; they are expecting 30 percent annual rates 12 of return; it's never going to go above 75 percent. 13 because it's just time is money. People are 14 expecting this bond to pay in full. And that's 15 what we are they are going to pay in order to get 16 the 30 percent return, so this is reflecting 17 payments in full, or pretty close to it, and the 18 market is not always right. Why is the market? 19 The market is right? If the market the right, then 20 let's believe the preferred shareholders and 21 common stock holders who are still putting some 22 value on this today. They are no less intelligent 23 than bond traders. Hard to explain how to that 24 could be. So were if we are going to follow the 25 market precisely my point is the market is not</p>	<p>120</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 I believe that the preferred is trading at about a 3 buck a share, but I'm not a hundred percent sure 4 about that. 5 So your Honor what with the debtors 6 admission that there may be some recovery with the 7 fact of the matter that the board here and the 8 management operating the company well, but when it 9 comes down to plan negotiations, they are going to 10 so have done conflicts. They are going to want the 11 jobs; they want their releases; they want their 12 incentive bonuses; they want their primary equity 13 as an incentive to go forward. Creditors typically 14 will give them that at the same time they are 15 wiping out the equity holders. 16 My last comment, your Honor, is in 17 response to the question with respect to the 18 ability to limit the role of a committee. I don't 19 recall seeing specific cases on that in the past 20 although my recollection is that you pretty much 21 either appoint a committee or you don't appoint a 22 committee. But we certainly have indicate to do 23 courts before and we would certainly represent to 24 this court that we would not duplicate things. 25 There are numerous. I agreed with Mr. Botter.</p>
<p>119</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 necessarily a great indicia, my point is that for 3 whatever reason, at a time in when this company was 4 reporting book values of a billion 3, as contrasted 5 to today where they are they are reporting, 6 erroneously we believe, a 705 million in book value 7 negative number, with a 2 billion spread, the bonds 8 are at or about the same prices. So what can you 9 gain from that? Is that indication that the market 10 knows what they are talking about? I don't think 11 so. 12 THE COURT: Is there evidence on the 13 record of what the stock and preferred is trading 14 at? 15 MR. WOLFSON: I don't believe -- I 16 don't know that that's in the current 10-Ks or Qs 17 your Honor but -- 18 THE COURT: It wouldn't be. 19 MR. WOLFSON: But my understanding 20 is that -- and there are probably people in the 21 courtroom who know that answer, it's the common 22 information. The common stock was trading about 30 23 cents a share. 24 MR. CHRIST: 33. 25 MR. WOLFSON: 33 cents a share. And</p>	<p>121</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 There are some things that go on in a case there 3 impact plan and the exo strategies and an equity 4 committee ought to be involved in those. But there 5 are numerous other day-to-day matters that we defer 6 to the creditors' committee where you do have a 7 common interest, things such as motions to lift the 8 automatic stay, issues with respect to the sale of 9 normal assets that are not plan threatening. All 10 of those sorts of things you take look at just make 11 sure it's not a big issue you defer typically to 12 the debtor, even when there's a creditors' 13 committee. We are not looking to duplicate issues, 14 and we do act responsibly. And realize that at the 15 end of the day, we are subject to the court's 16 ruling with respect to the fee application, and if 17 we do something inappropriate and duplicative and 18 unnecessary, it will be dealt with accordingly, and 19 we look to avoid that sort of adverse fee hearing. 20 So, your Honor, we would request, 21 just to conclude -- we believe that this is the 22 appropriate case for a committee. We think we can 23 add value to the case. My primary client, Aspen 24 Advisors and we have two other that have joined in 25 on this motion; they do hold in the aggregate of 23</p>

<p>122</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 percent, they are financial institutions. But on 3 the other hand, they are not necessarily in a 4 position to fully fund an appropriate 5 representation of all of the preferred equity 6 holders. And absent there being a preferred equity 7 committee or an equity committee that they are on, 8 there's no commitment on their part to act in a 9 fiduciary responsibility, and there's no guarantee 10 they are going to stick around to the end of the 11 case. That is one of the primary benefits of an 12 equity committee in that it has fiduciary duties to 13 all, and it will see the case to the end. If 14 there's not a committee and an individual 15 shareholder decides to sell its position for 16 whatever gain it can make, it may just do that. So 17 I think it may be the aid to the court to have the 18 benefit of a committee to test what will 19 undoubtedly be the financial advisers coming to you 20 and telling you what the prospective future value 21 of this company hypothetically may be. 22 THE COURT: Okay. 23 MS. LANDSBAUM: Your Honor, I have 24 two brief comments. 25 THE COURT: All right, very briefly.</p>	<p>124</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 for Mr. Yetnikoff, that we are able to do it. 3 Also Mr. Rothman's point that we 4 take you on good faith that they are acting in our 5 interests. If that's the case, on Mr. Wolfson's 6 analysis, we can add some value to these four brand 7 new contracts that have just come up. And the last 8 point Mr. Wolfson said, I think we would be value 9 added to the process. I talked to Sony in Tokyo 10 twice, and I don't see anybody bringing in parties 11 that might have substantial equity in interest. I 12 know they are advertised, but I guess it's the 13 difference between a realtor putting a multiple 14 listing and going out and aggressively marketing 15 it. And we certainly have incentive, and we are 16 not conflicted, frankly, to find somebody to 17 replace those insiders and sell that premium too. 18 THE COURT: Okay. 19 MR. CHRIST: Thank you, very much. 20 THE COURT: I unfortunately have to 21 eat something, so I'm going to come back about 22 2:35. 23 Maybe Mr. Wolfson and Mr. Huebner 24 can go to lunch together and work out their 25 metaphors.</p>
<p>123</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 MS. LANDSBAUM: Your Honor, just 3 quickly. With respect to the release issue, Mr. 4 Wolfson indicated in the real world the directors 5 will get the broad releases. I think all of us 6 know the U.S. Trustee does not allow those releases 7 and will not allow them in this case. And second, 8 with regard to Kasper Mr. Wolfson was right. An 9 equity committee was appointed and the U.S. Trustee 10 did agree; and it is just an example that the U.S. 11 Trustee can be swayed if circumstances change and 12 an equity committee is deemed appropriate. And in 13 Kasper, circumstances did change subsequent to the 14 hearing on the motion, such that an equity 15 committee was appropriate. But it is not analogous 16 to this situation. 17 THE COURT: Okay. 18 MR. CHRIST: Your Honor, may I be 19 heard brief. 20 THE COURT: Really brief, like a 21 minute. 22 MR. CHRIST: Well, I just wanted to 23 say, speaking for us, we are not going to be able 24 to continue beyond today, assuming I find my car in 25 Manhattan and get out of here, and I can't speak</p>	<p>125</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 (Whereupon, a recess was taken for 3 the purpose of luncheon.) 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25</p>

<p>126</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 AFTERNOON SESSION 3 THE COURT: Please be seated. I 4 have in front of me a motion, literally a renewed 5 motion by a group of common shareholders who hold 6 approximately 5 percent of the common stock of 7 Loral. That motion has been joined in by another 8 group of common shareholders who profess to own 9 approximately 1 percent of the common stock, and 10 has also be joined in by a group of preferred 11 shareholders who own approximately 23 percent of 12 the outstanding preferred shares. The motion 13 seeks, again, the appointment of an official 14 committee of equity security holders. I say again 15 because I denied a motion by the same group on 16 September 19th of this year. 17 The group of preferred shareholders 18 had not formally sought the appointment of an 19 official preferred shareholders committee from the 20 U.S. Trustee, but we have all been entreated their 21 request as -- at least a request for an official 22 committee of equity security holders that is to be 23 dominated by preferred shareholders, although at 24 times they have also sought in the common 25 shareholders said they would support an appointment</p>	<p>128</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 have also found as set forth in the Johns-Manville 3 case at 68(BR)155 Southern District of New York 4 1986, and other cases, that the determination by 5 the bankruptcy court is based on the facts and 6 circumstances of a particular case in the exercise 7 of the court's discretion. 8 The courts, since there is no 9 specific definition in the statute of adequate 10 representation for purposes of 1102 entails, have 11 applied a number of factors, some of which are met 12 here, but the most important ones are not. Courts 13 consider, among other things, the number of 14 shareholders, the complexity of the case, and the 15 timing of the request, and ultimately whether the 16 cost of forming an official committee outweighs the 17 concern for adequate representation. 18 Perhaps more pointedly, Colliers and 19 the more recent cases have highlighted two key ways 20 of looking at the issues. As Colliers says, the 21 threshold situation is whether there is sufficient 22 equity in the estate to justify the cost and 23 expense of a separate committee. And Colliers also 24 says at Section 1102.03, the key consideration is 25 whether formation of an equity committee is more</p>
<p>127</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 of two separate committees, one for preferred 3 shareholders and one for common shareholders. 4 I think, as has been pointed out in 5 oral arguments, these requests need to be looked at 6 separately because they raise different issues, and 7 that's what I'll do. But in sum, I'm going to deny 8 each of the requests for the appointment of a 9 committee for the following reasons: First, as is 10 well established, the court reviews the U.S. 11 Trustee's decision whether to appoint a committee 12 or not to appoint a committee on a de novo basis, 13 although I obviously note that when, as here, 14 the U.S. Trustee has done a thorough analysis of 15 the request in the first instance. I then turn to 16 the statute which states in Section 1102(a), that 17 the court may appoint an additional official 18 committee of equity holders, if necessary, to 19 assure adequate representation of that group. 20 As Judge Gropper pointed out in his 21 opinion in the Kasper bankruptcy of this year, this 22 statute, by focusing both on whether the 23 appointment is necessary to assure adequate 24 representation, sets a rather high threshold for 25 the movant. Recognizing that threshold, the courts</p>	<p>129</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 likely to accelerate or to impede the 3 reorganization process. 4 The threshold consideration, that is 5 whether there is sufficient equity in the estate to 6 justify the cost and expense of a separate 7 committee is something we've spent considerable 8 time on this morning and this afternoon, although 9 it ultimately there's not an enormous amount of 10 evidence in the record that goes to the value of 11 the debtors and the value of the equity. I note 12 that as set forth by Judge Cram in the Manville 13 case, the movants have the burden of proof, and it 14 is their burden to put on evidence establishing, 15 among other things, whether there is real equity 16 value here. And as Judge Lifland pointed out in 17 the Williams Communications case, this didn't mean 18 that the court should conduct a full valuation of 19 the debtor, but rather should determine whether it 20 appears reasonable that there is a substantial 21 likelihood in Judge Lifland's words, of a 22 meaningful distribution under the absolute priority 23 rule, to equity holders. 24 And again, as pointed out by Judge 25 Lifland, citing to the Emens Industry case, this is</p>

<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 because creditors and debtors should not bear the 3 cost of negotiating what is, in essence, a gift to 4 shareholders who are out of the money; whereas they 5 should bear the costs, at least the debtors should 6 bear the cost of shareholders negotiating a 7 meaningful distribution. 8 Ultimately, as pointed out by 9 numerous cases, the appointment of an equity 10 committee is the exception rather than the rule. 11 But again, as I said earlier, some of the factors 12 suggesting that a committee should be appointed 13 here are present, and therefore this requires some 14 more attention than may have been suggested by some 15 of the objectants. 16 First of all, there is no dispute 17 that the common stock of Loral is very widely held 18 by a number of shareholders who individually 19 probably do not have the resources to pursue 20 actively their rights in this Chapter 11 case. On 21 the other hand, it appears to me that the preferred 22 stock is held by a smaller group, and in 23 particular, the group of moving preferred 24 shareholders here has a sizable stake in the 25 company and is a relatively small group of three</p>	<p>130</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 end, to 620 or more on a low end, 620 million or 3 more on a low end. As I noted at the hearing in 4 September, both book valuations and trading 5 valuations, that is security trading valuations 6 have their weak elements. And it's been my 7 experience that book valuation in a company like 8 this is has often been overstated, whereas we all 9 recognize that the trading valuations are far from 10 accurate. However, when either method leaves to 11 such a substantial negative equity, I think it is 12 clear to me that the debtors are insolvent as far 13 as the common shareholders are concerned. 14 Colliers states that it is clear 15 that a committee should not be appointed if the 16 debtor is hopelessly insolvent, and it is clear 17 that it should be appointed if the debtor is 18 clearly solvent, obviously leaving a middle ground 19 there for courts to deal with in their discretion. 20 I find here that the gap is simply 21 too large to justify the expense and disruption 22 that an official committee of common shareholders 23 would pose, given that the only trade off, I think, 24 based on what's before me, the evidence before me, 25 would be a <i>di minimis</i> recovery at this point, by</p>
<p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 shareholders, holding approximately 23 percent, 3 which, if one looks at the liquidation preference 4 and accrued interest in respect of that preference, 5 is a meaningful amount of money, over 50 million 6 dollars. The timing of the appointment of a 7 committee wouldn't be appropriate at this point, in 8 that the debtors, having through their own 9 auspicious in large part, stabilized their business 10 and taken some key decisions in the case, are now 11 focusing on a Chapter 11 plan preceded by a 12 business plan, so that in fact, if it were 13 appropriate, one could, at this point, have a 14 committee that would be focusing on negotiation of 15 a Chapter 11 plan. 16 However, based on my review of the 17 presentation on valuation, I find that as far as 18 the common shareholders are concerned, that 19 negotiation would be largely academic. Based on 20 both the book value of the debtors, from their 21 publicly filed SEC reporting, as well as the 22 agreed upon range of trading prices, which were the 23 only evidence of value offered by the movants, the 24 common shareholders are substantially under water 25 from anywhere between 230 million dollars on a high</p>	<p>131</p> <p>1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 shareholders. 3 It's important to note that the only 4 serious request for a committee here is based on 5 the need to negotiate a plan. There's no 6 meaningful evidence, or even contention, that 7 management is somehow laying down on its job in 8 running the company properly and obtaining the most 9 value possible for the debtors. In fact, the 10 reason for the renewal of the motion in its 11 prosecution today, is just the contrary, that the 12 company, its management has done an excellent job 13 in increasing value. So, I'm really focusing on 14 the one function of a committee, which is 15 negotiating a plan. And again, based on today's 16 record, I believe that those negotiations at this 17 point would result in only a <i>di minimis</i> recovery 18 for common shareholders; perhaps not in Judge 19 Lifland's words "a gift," although, perhaps close 20 to that. 21 I find that management is quite 22 capable of negotiating that type of recovery for 23 the shareholders, and I expect motivated to do so. 24 I also find that the -- if I haven't made it clear 25 already, the concerns that were raised in passing</p>

134	1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 by some of the shareholders, that management is 3 hopelessly conflicted or somehow otherwise not 4 properly conducting their fiduciary duties, has not 5 been established. Far from it. I then look at, 6 separately, at the request by the preferred 7 shareholders for either a separate committee or a 8 committee which they were dominant. The valuation 9 issues with regard to the preferred shareholders 10 are much more close. Although there were proved 11 issues, I cannot say that the debtors are 12 hopelessly insolvent when it comes to the preferred 13 shareholders. In fact, it is possible that the 14 preferred shareholders will have a meaningful 15 return in this case, and not just a gift. On the 16 other hand, it is possible that they are out of the 17 money; and ultimately as I said before, they have 18 the burden of proof upon the issues with respect to 19 the appointment of an official committee. 20 However, whether or not a group of 21 shareholders is in or out of the money is only one 22 of the factors, albeit an important one, to be 23 considered when a committee is sought to be 24 appointed. One goes back on the statute which says 25 that a committee may be appointed, if necessary, to
135	136 1 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS LTD. 2 shareholders in these circumstances. The cost and 3 harm to the estate, which is both direct in terms 4 of dollars, as well as indirect in terms of dollars 5 spent by other parties and potential delay outweigh 6 the rather negligible benefits of additional 7 representation, given my conclusion that the 8 preferred holders have their own resources and 9 their own reasons for protecting their interests 10 actively in the case. 11 With regard to my question early on 12 in this hearing as to whether one could limit the 13 role of a committee to negotiating a plan, I 14 appreciate Mr. Wolfson's candor, as well as Mr. 15 Botter's remarks that in this case there are too 16 many issues that arise that could be used as a 17 means to affect the outcome of a plan. And my 18 reading of Mr. Wolfson's answer is that his clients 19 would prefer to maintain their flexibility with 20 respect to those issues rather than coming in and 21 literally sitting down and negotiating a 22 distribution at the end of the case and have them 23 come up to speed in the meantime. But ultimately, 24 given my conclusion that the preferred shareholders 25 are capable of representing themselves, that

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15 directing the appointment of an official
committee of equity security holders; motion by
16 debtors for authorization to amend employment
agreements of Gregg I. Marks, Joseph B. Parsons,
17 and Lee S. Sporn; motion by debtors for an order
extending the time to assume or reject unexpired
18 leases of nonresidential real property; objection
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7 appointment of an official committee of equity
8 security holders; objection of CPG Partners,
9 L.P., to motion of debtors for an order extending
10 the time to assume or reject unexpired leases of
11 nonresidential real property; debtors' objection
12 and response to motion of certain shareholders
13 for order directing the appointment of an
14 official committee of equity security holders;
15 joinder of Lonestar Capital Management and
16 affiliates for an order directing appointment of
17 official committee of equity security holders;
18 objection by official committee of unsecured
19 creditors to the motion of Triage shareholders
20 and Gryphon Master Fund, L.P., for order
21 directing the appointment of an official
22 committee of equity security holders; objection
23 by the United States Trustee to motion of Triage
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With these people with their aggressive,
energetic support. You have had it up to
now, without their getting everything. You
will have it in the future. But I think we
should recognize they are the ones
responsible in part -- in significant part
for getting us where we are. We want them
here to get us home.

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JUDGE GROPPER: Thank you. I will take
a five-minute recess and give you my

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(Whereupon, a recess was taken.)

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JUDGE GROPPER: Please be seated.

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Here are my decisions on both motions.

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With regard to the motion by Triage
Management, LLC, and several of its
affiliates to appoint an equity committee, I
note the following:

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The Triage affiliates collectively hold
approximately 6 percent of the debtors'
equity. Joinders in the motion have been
filed by Lonestar Partners, which owns
approximately 9.9 percent of the equity of
the debtors by Gryphon Master Fund, LP,

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which owns approximately 6 percent, and by JANA Partners, which also claims to be an equity owner. All of the foregoing entities asked the United States Trustee to appoint an equity committee in letters sent at various dates last May. The appointment of a separate committee was opposed before the U.S. Trustee by the debtors and by the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, and they similarly oppose such an appointment on this motion.

By letter dated June 11, 2003, the U.S.

Trustee denied the request for the

appointment of an equity committee.

Although the Court gives due consideration to the action of the trustee, it reviews the action of the U.S. Trustee de novo. See, *In re Williams Communications Group, Inc.*, 281 B.R. 216 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2002.); *In re Enron Corp.*, 279 B.R. 671, 684 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2002); *In re McLean Industries, Inc.*, 70 B.R. 852, 856-57 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y 1987); *In re Texaco, Inc.*, 79 B.R. 560, 566 (Bankr. S.B.N.Y. 1987); H.R. Rep. 99-764,

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² 99th Cong., 2nd Sess. at 18 (1986).

We start with the words of the
statute. Section 1102(a)(2) of the
Bankruptcy Code provides in relevant part
that, quote, "the Court may order
appointment of additional committees of
creditors or of equity holders if necessary
to assure adequate representation of
creditors or of equity holders," close
quote. The first question thus is whether
an additional separate committee is, quote,
"necessary," close quote, to assure
adequate representation. The operative word
is "necessary," which implies a fairly
restrictive standard, and certainly a
standard which is higher than if the statute
called for the appointment of a committee
if, quote, "useful," close quote. The
second operative term is, quote, "adequate
representation," close quote, which directs
the Court to consider the nature of the
unrepresented or under represented group,
the role of the group in the Chapter 11
case, and the functions that a committee

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would presumably carry out. The burden is
3 on the moving party to establish that a
4 separate committee is required to provide
5 adequate representation. In re
6 Johns-Manville Corp. 68 B.R. 155, 158
7 (S.D.N.Y. 1986); accord Enron Corp., 279
8 B.R. at 685.

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The determination is fact intensive
10 with many courts focusing on the following
11 three issues in connection with a motion for
12 an equity committee: (i) the number of
13 shareholders; (ii) the complexity of the
14 case, and (iii) whether the cost of the
15 additional committee significantly outweighs
16 the concern for adequate representation. In
17 re Johns-Manville Corp., 68 B.R. at 159;
18 In re Wang, 149 B.R. at 2; In re Williams
19 281 B.R. at 220.

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Other factors that have been considered
21 by the courts are: (i) the timing of the
22 motion relative to the status of the case,
23 In re Kalvar Microfilm, Inc., 195 B.R. 599,
24 600 (Bankr. D.Del. 1996); (ii) potential to
25 recover expenses pursuant to Section 503(b),

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2 In re Hills Stores, 137 B.R. 4, 8 (Bankr.
3 S.B.N.Y. 1992); (iii) motivation of the
4 movants, In re Orfa Corp. of Philadelphia,
5 121 B.R. 294, 295, (Bankr. E.D.Pa. 1990);
6 and (iv) the tasks an additional committee
7 is to perform, McLean Industries 70 B.R. at
8 860.

9 This case presents the following fact
10 pattern that does not appear to have been
11 considered in a reported case. At the
12 outset, it appeared that these debtors were
13 hopelessly insolvent. It has been held in
14 many cases that an equity committee is not,
15 quote, "necessary to ensure adequate

16 representation," close quote, where the
17 debtors appear to be hopelessly insolvent.

18 See, e.g., *In re Emons Industries*, 50 B.R.
19 692, 694 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1985); *In re*
20 *Williams Communications*, 281 B.R. at 220.

21 In cases at bar, however, the debtors'
22 prospects have improved to the point that
23 there may be value for equity. The debtors
24 and the creditors' committee argue that it
25 is not at all certain that there will be any

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2 equity, and this argument is joined in by
3 the U.S. Trustee. Both argue that this
4 militate against an appointment of a
5 committee. The real question is whether in
6 these cases at this time, when it is not
7 clear whether there will be any value for
8 equity and, if so, what it will be, but
9 there is a possibility, is a separate
10 committee necessary to assure the equity
11 holders adequate representation?

16 As the Supreme Court said in Bank of America
17 v. 203 LaSalle Street Partnership, 526 U.S.
18 434, 457 (1999), quote, "the best way to
19 determine value is exposure to a market,"
20 close quote.

21 The debtors have already put in place
22 sales procedures that the Court has found
23 appropriate to obtain the highest and best
24 offer for the debtors. If there is more
25 value for the equity than the initial bid

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obtained from Kellwood Company, the sales
procedure should smoke it out. There is not
the slightest indication that the sales
procedures are not fair or that the Kellwood
so-called stalking horse bid is not a fair
arm's length offer, untainted by an insider
dealer. Testimony at the hearing of June
27, 2003, has contradicted Triage's early
claims that the sale process improperly
enriches management and therefore improperly
incentivizes management to seek a sale,
rather than a stand-alone plan.

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Nevertheless, it is recognized that the
equity holders may have a concern that the

creditors' committee and the debtors stop
negotiating with Kellwood when they covered
the debt, or came close to covering it, and
ignored the fact that equity might be the
holder of the residual interest and was also
entitled to have its interests or possible
interests taken into account. In this case
there is no indication that the debtors did,
in fact, ignore their duties to the holders
of the residual interest. Moreover, the

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2 presence on the committee of two large
3 creditors who were also large shareholders
4 provides an indication, albeit slight, that
5 the interests of equity were not ignored.
6 But the real protection is that the debtors
7 put themselves up for sale pursuant to fair
8 procedures that are designed to obtain the
9 highest value. If the Triage group or any
10 other equity holders are convinced that
11 there is more value in the equity, the
12 equity can bid for it. See, *In re Central*
13 *Ice Cream Corp.*, 836 F.2d 1068, 1072, Fn. 3,
14 (7th Cir. 1987). The equity does not need a
15 committee to renegotiate sales procedures
16 and possibly put the current sale and the
17 interests of the debt and equity at more
18 risk than is necessary. The Kellwood offer
19 expires on November 30, 2003, and the
20 debtors do not have a limitless period of
21 time to effect a plan, especially in a
22 business which, as we have seen in this
23 case, can go down and can go up, and it
24 certainly can change. This implicates a
25 factor frequently used by the Courts in

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2 considering a motion for an equity
3 committee, whether it simply comes too late
4 in the Chapter 11 process. See, generally
5 In re Public Serv. Co. of New Hampshire, 89
6 B.R. 1014, 1018 (Bankr. D.N.H. 1988).

7 There is a second mechanism that
8 protects the equity's interests here. The
9 sale to Kellwood or another purchaser is not
10 final until the debtors duly confirm a plan
11 in accordance with all the requirements of
12 Chapter 11. The equity will thus have ample
13 opportunity to show, if they wish to so
14 argue, that the debtors have not acted in
15 good faith or that a stand-alone plan is

16 required under the Code. There is no reason
17 to believe that a committee would be
18 necessary to participate in a contested
19 confirmation hearing, if any. First, if
20 Triage and its allies wish to contest
21 confirmation, they obviously have the
22 resources to do so. Moving shareholders of
23 large, sophisticated institutions with the
24 ability to represent themselves well and be
25 heard is evidence by this motion and by

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prior proceedings in these very cases. With
3 regard to SEC concerns, the Court is willing
4 to consider any reasonable protection that
5 is within its power to allow the movants the
6 ability to protect their legitimate
7 interests in connection with these Chapter
8 11 cases. However, they have not
9 demonstrated that these securities laws
10 prohibit them from taking such steps or
11 justify a committee under the facts of this
12 case or, indeed, that the establishment of a
13 committee provides any automatic immunity.

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It may, but informal committees are very

15 common under Chapter 11. They are

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indirectly recognized by the bankruptcy
17 rules, and the Court certainly will hear
18 from the formal committee, if the committee
19 wishes to be heard in that guise.

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It is also noteworthy that a majority
21 of the equity appears to be held by holders
22 who have not objected and appears satisfied
23 with the present status. To create an
24 equity committee from a minority would also
25 be a possible complication and could be

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2 self-defeating. A committee would give a
3 movant some additional leverage, but, as I
4 said, if the group wishes to contest
5 confirmation, the court will give it the
6 same attention that it would give any
7 similarly situated group.

8 Creation of a committee would, of
9 course, provide the movants with a clearer
10 path for the recovery of their costs than if
11 they sought such costs under the substantial
12 contribution test of 11 U.S.C. Section
13 503(b). If any informal committee of equity
14 holders or the equity holder movants
15 themselves make a, quote, "substantial
16 contribution," end quote, they have a right
17 to recovery of expenses under Section 503(b)
18 of the Bankruptcy Code. In these cases
19 where it is not certain that there will be
20 value for equity, and in light of the other
21 protections for equity, it would not be
22 appropriate to risk imposing these costs on
23 the creditor body at this stage of the
24 case.

25 Finally, the debtors have made it clear

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that they recognize their responsibility to
equity holders. They have met and
negotiated with representatives of movants
and state that they are willing to do so.

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To form a committee at this late date would,
however, imply that the debtors might also
have to negotiate the plan, as negotiation
of a plan is one of the principal
responsibilities of a committee. This might
well propel these cases a giant step
backwards and endanger the progress that is
ironically for genesis of this motion.

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Where procedures are in place to protect
equity and there is no indication that their
interests have been ignored and where they
are well represented already, a separate
committee is not quote, "necessary to assure
their adequate representation," end quote.

The motion is denied. The debtors shall
settle an order on three days' notice.

With respect to the motion to approve
changes to the compensation plans of three
members of management, the debtors have
shown three factors that support the motions

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as appropriate under the structures of the
Bankruptcy Code. First, these are changes
for the benefit of the officers who have
concededly done a superb job. This is not
always the case in incentive plans that come
before Bankruptcy Court. Second, these
officers could have negotiated these changes
earlier. If this is so, their best efforts
are still needed, and there is no cause for
the debtors to be forced to treat them
inequitably, because they tended to the
needs of the company without negotiating
their own benefits at as earliest a stage as
possible. Third, and most important, there

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has been a showing that these officers would
be entitled to more benefits under other
scenarios and that the amendments are
reasonable and fair to the debtors in terms
of rationalizing the treatment of these
officers in the event of any sale. It is
clear that they are giving up some very
valuable expectancies and rights, and there
is no evidence that the costs of their
rights as amended is disproportionate to the

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amounts that are being given up and to the
3 benefits from the continued services from
4 these officers. The motion has been
5 reviewed by the creditors' committee, which
6 has no objection, and which the Court will
7 assume believes as it says that the costs of
8 the plan are coming out of the pockets of
9 the creditors rather than the shareholders.

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In any event, whether the cost is, in fact,
11 a cost of the creditors or the shareholders,
12 under the Bankruptcy Code the debtors have
13 made a sufficient showing that the
14 amendments are reasonable and the motion
15 will be approved. The debtors are also

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requested to settle an order on three days'

17 notice. Thank you very much.

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MR. MILLER: The order I settle will
19 have the revised form of the employment
20 agreements to broaden beyond Kellwood, as I
21 indicated earlier. I will service a
22 blackline copy so that the Triage
23 shareholders will see the changes.

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JUDGE GROPPER: Very good. Thank you.

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12 I further certify that I am not
13 related by blood or marriage to any of the
14 parties and that I am not interested in the
15 outcome of this matter.

16 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
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In re : Chapter 11
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DELPHI CORPORATION, et al., : Case No. 05-44481 (RDD)
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Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)
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DECLARATION OF JOHN D. SHEEHAN IN SUPPORT OF DEBTORS'
OBJECTION TO MOTION OF APPALOOSA MANAGEMENT L.P.
PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 1102(a)(2) FOR ORDER DIRECTING
UNITED STATES TRUSTEE TO APPOINT EQUITY COMMITTEE

John D. Sheehan declares as follows:

1. I make this declaration in support of the Debtors' Objection To Motion Of Appaloosa Management L.P. Pursuant To 11 U.S.C. § 1102(a)(2) For Order Directing United States Trustee To Appoint Equity Committee (the Debtors' "Objection" and Appaloosa's "Equity Committee Motion," respectively). Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this declaration shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Objection or the various pleadings referenced herein. I have personal knowledge of the matters stated in this declaration.

2. I am the Vice President of Corporate Restructuring, Chief Accounting Officer, and Controller for Delphi Corporation (which, with certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates, the debtors, and the debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases, are referred to collectively and variously herein as "Delphi" or the "Debtors"). I joined Delphi in July 2002 as Chief Accounting Officer and Controller. On March 4, 2005, I also assumed the position of acting Chief Financial Officer, a position that I held until October 8, 2005, when I was appointed Chief Restructuring Officer. Consequently, I am familiar with, and personally was involved in, the events and circumstances giving rise to the Debtors' decision to seek chapter 11 protection on October 8, 2005 (the "Petition Date"). Since the Petition Date, I have been involved at some level in virtually all of the significant decisions made by the Debtors in connection with these chapter 11 cases.

3. On or about November 7, 2005, Appaloosa submitted to the United States Trustee (the "Trustee") a letter seeking the appointment of an official equity committee (the "Letter Request"). A copy of the Letter Request, which Appaloosa forwarded inter alia to counsel for the Debtors, and to counsel for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Creditors' Committee"), is attached to this declaration as Exhibit 1.

4. Shortly after the Trustee received Appaloosa's Letter Request, the Trustee asked the Debtors for their position regarding Appaloosa's Request. On December 7, 2005, the Debtors and their advisors, including their legal and final advisors (Rothschild & Co.), discussed the Letter Request with the Debtors' Board of Directors, and on December 8, 2005, the Debtors discussed the Letter Request with the Creditors' Committee and its advisors. As a result of those discussions, and after careful consideration, the Debtors determined that the formation of an equity committee in these chapter 11 cases was unwarranted at that time, and they so informed the Trustee. A copy of the Debtors' December 19, 2005, letter response to the Trustee's request was attached to Appaloosa's Equity Committee Motion, as Exhibit A, and is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.

5. Attached as Exhibit 3 to this declaration are charts showing the historical trading price, current through February 21, 2006, of certain Delphi bonds and stock and Delphi's market capitalization. The first chart, captioned "Recent Debt Pricing," comes from information supplied by the commercial information supplier known as "LoanX," which is a commercial information provider of market quotations, tabulations, lists, directories, and other published compilations, generally used and relied upon by the public or by persons in the business of buying or selling corporate debt securities.¹ The second chart, captioned "Recent Stock Pricing and Market Capitalization," comes from CapitalIQ, which is a division of Standard and Poor's, a commercial

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information provider of market quotations, tabulations, lists, directories, and other published compilations, generally used and relied upon by the public or by persons in the business of buying or selling corporate equity securities.

6. According to information supplied by LoanX, as of February 21, 2006, all four tranches of Delphi Corporation's publicly-traded debt securities were trading at an implied recovery of between 53.0% and 55.8% of face value. Also as of February 21, 2006, Delphi's publicly-traded trust preferred securities were trading at an implied recovery of 24.0% of face value. According to information supplied by CapitalIQ, as of the close of the business day on February 23, 2006, Delphi's common stock was trading at \$0.33.

7. The Debtors' schedules and statements, as amended (Docket Nos. 1854 and 1999), the Debtors' monthly operating report for January 2005, filed on February 28, 2006 (Docket No. 2569), and the recent trading prices of Delphi's public securities described in the paragraphs 4 &5 and Exhibit 3 hereto, all evidence the fact that equity is deep under water.

8. Delphi Corporation's Board of Directors has twelve members, 10 of whom are independent, and two of those ten were elected to the Board within the past month.

I declare under penalty of perjury, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, that the foregoing statements are true and correct.

Executed on March 1, 2006, in New York, New York.

/s/ John D. Sheehan

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Exhibit A

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Re: In re Delphi Corporation, et al., 05-44481(RDD)
(Jointly Administered)

Attorneys Leonhard and Davis:

We represent Appaloosa Management L.P. ("Appaloosa"), which, collectively with certain of its affiliates, is one of Delphi Corporation's ("Delphi") largest shareholders, owning approximately 9.3% of Delphi's issued and outstanding shares.

For the reasons set forth below, Appaloosa believes that the appointment of an official committee is required to provide adequate and appropriate representation of the interests of all shareholders of Delphi and to ensure that they receive the value to which they are entitled under the chapter 11 process. Accordingly, we hereby request the appointment of an official committee of equity security holders (an "Equity Committee") in the chapter 11 cases of Delphi and its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors").

According to the Affidavit of Robert S. Miller Jr. under Local Bankruptcy Rule 1007-2 and in support of Chapter 11 Petitions and Various First Day Applications and Motions dated October 8, 2005 (the "Miller Affidavit"), the Debtors estimated that there were 331,202 shareholders as of August 26, 2005. According to the Miller Affidavit, the Company has 1.35 billion shares of

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authorized common stock and of this amount 561,781,590 shares were outstanding as of August 26, 2005.

The Relevant Criteria for Establishing an Equity Committee are Satisfied Here

We believe all of the criteria for the appointment of an Equity Committee under 11 U.S.C. § 1102(a)(1) are present in this matter:

- (a) the interests of shareholders are not otherwise adequately represented;
- (b) Delphi is not hopelessly insolvent, such that Appaloosa appears to have a real economic interest at stake;
- (c) the case is large and complex;
- (d) the stock is widely held and actively traded; and
- (e) the timing of the request is appropriate.

See generally In re Williams Commc'ns Group, Inc., 281 B.R. 216 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2002); In re Johns-Manville Corp., 68 B.R. 155 (S.D.N.Y. 1986); In re Kalvar Microfilm, 195 B.R. 599 (Bankr. D. Del. 1996); In re Wang Labs., Inc., 149 B.R. 1 (Bankr. D. Mass. 1992) (appointing equity committee over objections of United States Trustee and official committee of unsecured creditors even while debtor had negative book equity of several hundred million dollars); In re Beker Indus. Corp., 55 B.R. 945 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1985) (equity committee appointed); In re Evans Prods. Co., 58 B.R. 572 (S.D. Fla. 1985); In re Emons Indus., Inc., 50 B.R. 692 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1985); In re Exide Technologies, Case No. 02-11125 (Bankr. D. Del. 2002) (appointing equity committee over objections of debtor and official committee of unsecured creditors).

Equity Will Not be Adequately Represented without an Official Committee.

Although the unsecured creditors and shareholders possess a general identity of interest in seeing that the unsecured creditors are paid because of the "absolute priority" rule's mandate that junior interests retain nothing unless senior debt is paid in full, see 11 U.S.C. § 1129(b)(2)(B), such interests are not always aligned and often diverge. Furthermore, the official committee of unsecured creditors (the "Creditors' Committee") has neither a duty nor incentive in these cases to choose strategic alternatives that maximize value for equity. In fact, these Debtors are organized with substantial non-debtor affiliates under a complex corporate structure. From a review of publicly available information, it appears that substantial unencumbered assets or assets with substantial residual value exist within legal entities with relatively little debt,

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particularly with respect to the company's foreign and emerging new operations. In contrast, the major liabilities contributing to the deterioration of the company's recent financial performance, namely, unsustainable U.S. employee related legacy obligations, are in respect of operations isolated within certain U.S. Debtor subsidiaries, which have no claims against or rights of distribution from other valuable Delphi businesses. While we recognize that these Debtors have substantial obligations that need to be addressed in the context of these bankruptcy cases, there remains substantial value within Delphi's capital structure outside of and unrelated to the Debtors' legacy obligations. Thus, due to the complex legal structure, not only is the total amount of liabilities within the Delphi enterprise an important fact to ascertain, but where such liabilities appropriately reside within the capital structure must be thoroughly explored as well. Simply, ensuring that creditors are satisfied only from the estates against which they have legal entitlements is paramount to protecting the rights of equity shareholders – a function that may be performed only by a body charged with the fiduciary duty to advance the interests of such shareholders. Clearly, the interests represented by the Creditors' Committee conflict with the interests of shareholders on these points.

Further, while Delphi's directors and managers have a fiduciary responsibility to look after shareholders' interests, conflicting concerns often arise which make it difficult for such directors and management to follow the best course for non-insider public shareholders. Accordingly, the shareholders are the only major constituency not independently represented at this time. The shareholders are entitled to an official role in these cases to advance and preserve equity value, equity that a few days before the Delphi filing had a market value in excess of \$1.7 billion. Shareholder exclusion without official representation will hamper their ability to effectively participate in the chapter 11 cases and ultimate plan formulation. An Equity Committee should be appointed to enable shareholders to participate fully and actively in these cases.

Delphi Corporation is not Hopelessly In solvent.

These are not the typical chapter 11 cases where equity should be presumed to be out of the money. In fact, the opposite needs to be presumed here, that is, equity is in the money and therefore entitled to have meaningful participation in these cases. Indeed, the actions of Delphi itself shortly before the commencement of these cases require a presumption that Delphi is solvent. As recently as June 22, 2005, Delphi declared a \$0.015 dividend on Delphi \$0.01 par value common stock. This dividend was paid on August 2, 2005. Under Delaware law, however, dividends may be declared and paid only (i) out of surplus or (ii) in the case where no surplus exists, out of the company's profits for the fiscal year in which the dividend is declared and/or the preceding fiscal year. Del. Cod. Ann. Tit. 8, § 170 (2003). As Delphi has not reported any profits in the current and preceding years, payment of the August 2, 2005 dividend must have been from Delphi's surplus. Surplus is defined as the excess of the net assets (total assets minus total liabilities) of the corporation over its capital, which, if determined to be available, necessarily requires a determination that the corporation is balance sheet solvent. *Id.* at § 154. Thus, as of August 2, 2005, just two months prior to Delphi's filing, Delphi's board of directors had determined that it was balance sheet solvent. See also, In re Heilig Meyers

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Company, 329 B.R. 471 (Bankr. E.D. Va. 2005) (court considered debtor's payment of dividend as factor in determining solvency of debtor as payment of dividend while insolvent violated Virginia law).

Perhaps more importantly, Delphi's Chief Executive Officer has stated clearly that the Debtors commenced their chapter 11 cases simply to avoid a potential filing under the Bankruptcy Act of 2005 that came into effect on October 17, 2005. In particular, he indicated that he did not want Delphi to be the "guinea pig" under the new, less debtor friendly law. See The Sunday Times (UK), September 18, 2005, at 65, available at 2005 WLNR 14706425. There were, however, no reports of any impending liquidity crisis or any other matters compelling a filing. In fact, the expectation was that Delphi, along with General Motors, would continue to negotiate with their respective union employees and reach a consensual agreement or agreements outside of chapter 11. Recently, however, there have been reports that General Motors urged Delphi to commence chapter 11 proceedings to gain a strategic advantage in its negotiations with its own union employees. See Economist, October 15, 2005, at 65, available at 2005 WLNR 16692334. Thus, unlike other recent large chapter 11 cases commenced on the eve of the effectiveness of the new bankruptcy amendments, a chapter 11 filing for Delphi was not inevitable (and it could not have been inevitable, otherwise Delphi's board of directors could not have declared a dividend just two months prior). Simply, Delphi is in chapter 11 today and shareholders are disenfranchised not because Delphi is insolvent or unable to pay its obligations as they come due; Delphi is in chapter 11 solely because it made a calculated determination, perhaps at the urging of its self proclaimed largest creditor, that the current legal construct offered certain benefits that would otherwise soon be unavailable.

Moreover, the value of Delphi's current equity will depend in large part on the resolution of material issues currently being addressed by the Debtors without meaningful participation from shareholders, including:

- (a) the total amount of actual employee related liabilities and where such liabilities reside in the capital structure;
- (b) the manner in which employee related liabilities are restructured, including pursuant to sections 1113 & 1114 of the Bankruptcy Code;
- (c) the amount, enforceability, treatment and appropriate characterization of any claims asserted by General Motors, including claims, if any, asserted pursuant to the Indemnification Agreement, dated December 22, 1999, between Delphi and General Motors;
- (d) the extent to which Delphi may mitigate or avoid the accrual of any enforceable claims to General Motors under the Indemnification Agreement; and

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(e) whether intercompany claims exist in favor of Delphi Corporation for, among other things, the advancement of substantial funds raised in the capital markets for the purpose of addressing certain Debtor legacy obligations.

For instance, under the Indemnification Agreement, if enforceable, Delphi must indemnify General Motors for any liabilities it incurs under those certain Benefit Guarantees issued by General Motors to certain of the Debtors' employees. Once accrued, the Benefit Guarantees require General Motors to continue to pay employee obligations notwithstanding the expiration of the Debtors' own underlying responsibility to pay such obligations. General Motors may assert, although Appaloosa would contest such interpretation, that the Indemnification Agreement requires Delphi to reimburse General Motors for all obligations incurred, even if the Debtors have been relieved of the underlying obligations owing directly to the employees. If not otherwise triggered, however, the Benefit Guarantees and Delphi's obligations, if any, under the Indemnification Agreement, terminate in 2007. Accordingly, before taking any actions that may trigger accrual of obligations owing under the Indemnification Agreement, Delphi must explore all alternatives with consideration given to the consequences any actions may have on shareholder value. Delphi has already begun the process of restructuring its employee obligations. Although Appaloosa does not dispute that such obligations need to be restructured, disturbingly, there is no evidence in the public record that Delphi has given any consideration to how the manner in which it does so affects shareholder value.

These factors combined make it clear that Delphi is far from hopelessly insolvent, and shareholders have a real economic interest at stake in these cases.

These Cases are Large and Complex.

According to the Debtors' petitions and the Miller Affidavit, the Debtors and their non-debtor subsidiaries and affiliates collectively possess \$17.1 billion in total assets and \$22.1 billion in total liabilities. \$10.4 billion of the stated liabilities are actuarial estimates of future employee obligations, which obligations are subject to substantial reduction. In addition, as set forth in the Miller Affidavit, the Debtors are arguably the single largest global supplier of vehicle electronics, transportation components, integrated systems and modules, and other electronic technology. The Debtors' technologies are present in more than 75 million vehicles on the road worldwide. The Debtors and their affiliates employ more than 180,000 employees worldwide, with global 2004 revenues of approximately \$28.6 billion and global assets as of August 31, 2005 of approximately \$17.1 billion. By their own admission, the Debtors' bankruptcy ranks as the fifth largest public company chapter 11 in terms of revenues, the thirteenth largest public company business reorganization in terms of assets, and represents the second largest bankruptcy filing in 2005. The vast size and complexity of these cases is therefore not in question.

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The Stock is Widely Held and Actively Traded.

As of August 26, 2005, Delphi had more than 561,781,590 million shares of common stock outstanding and 331,202 shareholders. As of the close of business on November 4, 2005, over 4.5 million shares of Delphi were traded, closing at approximately \$0.39 per share with a market capitalization of nearly \$217 million. The average daily trading volume over the past three months was nearly 22 million shares. On October 4, 2005, just a few days before the bankruptcy filing, Delphi's market capitalization was approximately \$1.7 billion.

While the depth and breadth of ownership of Delphi equity securities does not guarantee necessarily that Delphi shareholders are entitled to a distribution under a restructuring plan; the active trading in the stock, its market capitalization, and the large number of holders and potential beneficial holders does heavily weigh in favor of the appointment of an Equity Committee.

This Request Comes on a Timely Basis.

The Debtors only commenced these cases on October 8, 2005. Accordingly Appaloosa's request is timely. More importantly, as shareholder value may likely depend upon the manner in which the Debtors restructure their employee related obligations, as noted above, time is of the essence.

Appaloosa is mindful of concerns regarding the additional expense associated with the formation of an Equity Committee, but "[c]ost alone cannot, and should not, deprive . . . security holders of representation." In re McLean Indus., Inc., 70 B.R. 852, 860 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1987). The Bankruptcy Code contains adequate means for controlling costs. See 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(1). In a case of this magnitude where assets exceed \$17 billion and net sales are over \$26 billion, the benefits of committees representation of shareholders' interests far outweigh any additional costs to the Debtors' estates.

In sum, the Debtors have commenced one of the largest bankruptcies in American history. In the span of a few days prior to the Delphi filing, more than \$1.5 billion of the market value of Delphi equity evaporated. The filing, on the verge of the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 2005, will affect, at a minimum, hundreds of thousands of beneficial holders of equity. Because of the sheer size of the bankruptcy, it has sent shockwaves throughout the automotive industry and unionized labor. One analyst has compared the Delphi bankruptcy to the former Chrysler Corp.'s brush with bankruptcy in the early 1980s – only bigger. "I see this as a bigger event than if Chrysler had filed," said Glenn Reynolds, an analyst with the New York research firm CreditSights. "This affects the 800-pound gorilla – GM. It's probably the biggest event in the auto industry in 25 years."

Accordingly, Appaloosa believes it would be grossly unjust to permit the Debtors to engage in the process of developing a business plan, including negotiations in respect of its employee related obligations, and formulating an exit strategy without any meaningful input from

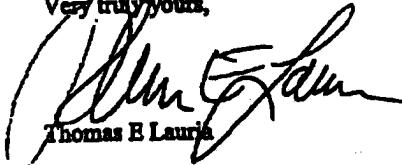
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shareholders who clearly have a large and valuable stake in the Debtors' enterprise. For the foregoing reasons, we respectfully request that you appoint an Equity Committee at your earliest possible opportunity.¹

Very truly yours,



Thomas H Lauria

cc: Ronald Goldstein
David Tepper
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¹ Nothing contained herein shall constitute an admission or a waiver of any rights or remedies by Appaloosa, all such rights and remedies being expressly reserved.

Exhibit B

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Re: Request for Formation of Statutory Equity Committee in *In re Delphi Corporation, et al.*, Lead Case No. 05-44481 (RDD) (Jointly Administered)

Dear Alicia:

We are writing on behalf of Delphi Corporation and its affiliated debtors and debtors-in-possession (the "Debtors") to respond to a letter dated November 7, 2005, from White & Case LLP, submitted on behalf of its client, Appaloosa Management L.P. ("Appaloosa"), requesting that the United States Trustee for Region 2 (the "UST") exercise her discretionary authority under Section 1102(a)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code to form an official statutory committee of equityholders in the Debtor's chapter 11 cases. We have reviewed the November 7 letter with the Board of Directors and executive management of the Debtors, as well as with the Debtors' Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Creditors' Committee"), and we appreciate the opportunity to share with you the Debtors' position regarding Appaloosa's request to form a statutory equity committee.

* A copy of this response will be filed on Form 8-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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In summary, the Debtors request that the UST determine that it is premature to appoint an equity committee at this time and defer further consideration of the request at least until the Debtors file their statements of financial affairs and schedules of assets and liabilities in January, 2006 and the UST has completed her conduct of the formal meeting of creditors required by Section 341 of the Bankruptcy Code (which is presently scheduled to take place in February, 2006). Should your office determine that a binding decision is required to be made at this early point in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases – even before the Debtors' first monthly operating report is filed later this month – the Debtors respectfully request that the UST decline to exercise her statutory prerogative to form an equity committee.

As is discussed in greater detail below, official equity committees are rarely appointed in chapter 11 cases, Delphi's Board of Directors (10 of the 12 of which are independent directors) will adequately represent all stakeholders in their role to maximize the enterprise value of the Debtors, and it is highly unlikely that common equityholders will receive any value in the chapter 11 cases on account of the equity securities of Delphi Corporation, the parent holding company, which interests the Debtors believe are "hopelessly insolvent." This observation is in stark contrast with the value of Delphi's non-U.S. subsidiaries, which are not chapter 11 debtors, are continuing their business operations in the ordinary course of business without supervision from the Bankruptcy Court, and are not subject to the chapter 11 requirements of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Notwithstanding the inherent value that the Debtors believe is associated with Delphi's global business operations outside of the United States, the Debtors do not believe that such value can overcome the direct and indirect claims against the parent holding company on account of the non-competitive legacy liabilities and burdensome restrictions under current U.S. labor agreements as well as the realignment of Delphi's global product portfolio and manufacturing footprint that must be achieved to preserve the Debtors' core businesses.

Background

On October 8, 2005, Delphi Corporation and certain of its U.S. subsidiaries filed chapter 11 cases in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court"). We refer you to the Affidavit of Robert S. Miller, Jr. filed in support of the First Day Motions in the

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Debtors' chapter 11 cases (Docket No. 7) for general background regarding the Debtors' prepetition affairs and events leading up to the commencement of the chapter 11 cases. Also on October 8, 2005, the Debtors issued a press release reporting on the commencement of the chapter 11 cases which included the following cautionary paragraph:

"Delphi also noted that the execution of its transformation plan through the chapter 11 process may give rise to the incurrence of additional prepetition claims as collective bargaining agreements, executory contracts, retiree health benefits and pension plans, and other liabilities of the company are addressed and resolved to maximize stakeholder value going forward. There is no assurance as to what values, if any, will be ascribed in the chapter 11 cases as to the value of Delphi's existing common stock and/or any other equity securities. Accordingly, the company urges that the appropriate caution be exercised with respect to existing and future investments in any of these securities as the value and prospects are highly speculative."

On or about November 7, 2005, without prior substantive discussion with the Debtors, White & Case LLP delivered to the undersigned a copy of the November 7 letter to the UST. On November 28, 2005, White & Case LLP delivered to the undersigned a letter of even date from Appaloosa addressed to the Debtors' Board of Directors. (See Exhibit 1.) The November 7 and November 28 letters were discussed with the Board of Directors and the subject of a potential equity committee was discussed with the Creditors' Committee at meetings in Troy, Michigan on December 7 and December 9, respectively. On December 13, the Debtors were informed by the Creditors'

- Additional cautionary language has been included in the safe harbor statement used in the company's subsequent restructuring-related press releases cautioning current stakeholders and potential investors that "[n]o assurance can be given as to what values, if any, will be ascribed in the bankruptcy proceedings to each of these constituencies [the Company's various prepetition liabilities, common stock and/or other equity securities]. Accordingly, the Company urges that the appropriate caution be exercised with respect to existing and future investments in any of these liabilities and/or securities."

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Committee that the Creditors' Committee had voted to oppose the formation of an equity committee and had submitted its December 12 letter to your office.

Request for Formation of Equity Committee

As summarized above, the Debtors respectfully request that you determine not to exercise your statutory prerogative to appoint an equity committee at this time. At best, appointment of an equity committee would be premature and, at worst, futile and an unnecessary burden to the Debtors' estates and its reorganization prospects.

Among the factors that are examined by the United States Trustee when considering the appointment of a statutory equity committee are whether the Company's shares are widely held and publicly traded; the size and complexity of the chapter 11 cases; the delay and additional cost that would result if an equity committee were appointed; the likelihood of whether the debtor is insolvent; the timing of the request relative to the status of the chapter 11 cases; and whether the interests are otherwise adequately represented. In re Kalvar Microfilm, Inc., 195 B.R. 599, 600 (Bankr. D. Del. 1996).

The Debtors believe that the reported decision of Judge Lifland in the Bankruptcy Court rendered on July 24, 2002 in In re Williams Communs. Group, Inc., 281 B.R. 216 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2002) provides helpful guidance to the UST in this District. Among many of the salient conclusions reached by Judge Lifland that have applicability to the request here is Judge Lifland's penultimate conclusion:

"The appointment of official equity committees should be the rare exception. Such committees should not be appointed unless equity holders establish that (i) there is a substantial likelihood that they will receive a meaningful distribution in the case under a strict application of the absolute priority rule, and (ii) they are unable to represent their interests in the bankruptcy case without an official committee. The second factor is critical because, in

While not agreeing with every statement in the Creditors' Committee submission, the Debtors concur with the Creditors' Committee conclusion that the appointment of an equity committee is not warranted in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases.

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most cases, even those equity holders who do expect a distribution in the case can adequately represent their interest without an official committee and can seek compensation if they make a substantial contribution in the case." (Id., at p. 222).

While the Debtors would fervently wish otherwise, Appaloosa has not demonstrated – and the Debtors cannot construct – a scenario in which these factors can be satisfied. This is largely because the claims associated with the Debtors' non-competitive U.S. legacy liabilities and burdensome U.S. labor agreements are direct claims against the U.S. parent holding company and are superior in priority to the interests of that entity's common shareholders.

The conclusion that there is no meaningful distribution available for the common shareholders of the U.S. parent holding company is also shared by the capital markets. As shown in the attached capitalization summary, all four tranches of Delphi Corporation's publicly traded debt securities were trading as of December 16, 2005 at an implied recovery of between 49.8% and 51.0% of face value and Delphi Corporation's publicly traded trust preferred securities were trading at an implied recovery of 23.0% of face value. (See Exhibit 2.) Applying the absolute priority rule, there can be no recovery for interests when claims are not satisfied at full value. The capitalization summary also reflects that the balance sheet account for shareholders' equity as of September 30, 2005 reflected a deficit of \$5.314 billion and that the common stock was trading on December 16, 2006 at \$0.35, which the Debtors believe reflects a combination of option value and market inefficiencies.

Accordingly, based on all of the relevant information available to the Debtors, the Debtors believe that if the Bankruptcy Court were required to make a determination today, there is a substantial likelihood that the Bankruptcy Court would determine that the Debtors are not solvent and meet the "appearance of hopeless insolvency" standard developed in applicable case law. The Debtors further believe that the Bankruptcy Court would therefore also conclude that any plan of reorganization capable of confirmation in accordance with the statutory priority rules of the Bankruptcy Code would result in holders of Delphi's common stock receiving no distribution on account of

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their interests and cancellation of their interests.' With respect to the issue of adequate representation, the Debtors believe that the Board of Directors, which is presently composed of twelve members (ten of which are independent directors including two new directors elected to the Board earlier this month), adequately represents its stakeholders in its fiduciary mission in the chapter 11 cases to maximize business enterprise value for all of the Debtors' stakeholders.

Moreover, Williams requires that, as a prerequisite to the formation of a statutory equity committee, equity holders must first establish that "they are unable to represent their interests in the bankruptcy case without an official committee. . .[this] factor is critical because, in most cases, even those equity holders who do expect a distribution in the case can adequately represent their interest without an official committee and can seek compensation if they make a substantial contribution in the case." (Id., at p. 222). This is particularly true here where Appaloosa is a highly sophisticated entity that has only recently invested in the Company at levels requiring public disclosure and has retained highly sophisticated professionals to represent it in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases.

While the Debtors believe that the above two issues should be dispositive of the request pending before the United States Trustee, the Debtors also believe that the request does not satisfy many of the other factors traditionally relied upon by United States Trustees and the Bankruptcy Courts that have been called upon to review such requests. For example, the Debtors

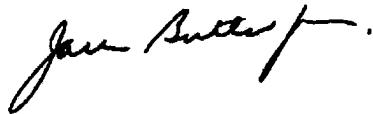
- * The safe harbor and risk factors language in the Company's Form 8-K filed in connection with this response and future restructuring related press releases will include the following language: "As described in the Company's public statements in response to the request submitted to the United States Trustee for the appointment of a statutory equity committee, holders of Delphi's common stock and other equity interests (such as options) should assume that they will not receive value as part of a plan of reorganization. In addition, under certain conditions specified in the Bankruptcy Code, a plan of reorganization may be confirmed notwithstanding its rejection by an impaired class of creditors or equity holders and notwithstanding the fact that equity holders do not receive or retain property on account of their equity interests under the plan. In light of the foregoing and as stated in its October 8, 2005 press release announcing the filing of its chapter 11 reorganization cases, the Company considers the value of the common stock to be highly speculative and cautions equity holders that the stock may ultimately be determined to have no value. Accordingly, the Company urges that appropriate caution be exercised with respect to existing and future investments in Delphi's common stock or other equity interests or any claims relating to prepetition liabilities."

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are very concerned about the additional costs and burdens that will be placed on the Debtors' estates by the appointment of a statutory equity committee. Similarly, the Debtors reserve their rights in all respects with respect to various statements and suggestions in the November 7 and November 28 letters from or on behalf of Appaloosa. The determination of the Debtors not to specifically address each and every statement in the November 7 and November 28 letters is not an admission against interest or an agreement with such statements, at least some of which the Debtors believe are materially inaccurate.

In closing, on behalf of the Debtors, we want to again express our appreciation for your willingness to consider input from the Debtors with respect to this request for appointment of an additional statutory committee in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases as well as for your patience while the Debtors considered this matter both internally as a matter of prudent corporate governance and with the Creditors' Committee. Should you have any questions regarding these matters or would like further information from the Debtors, we would be happy to make ourselves available at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,



John Wm. Butler, Jr.

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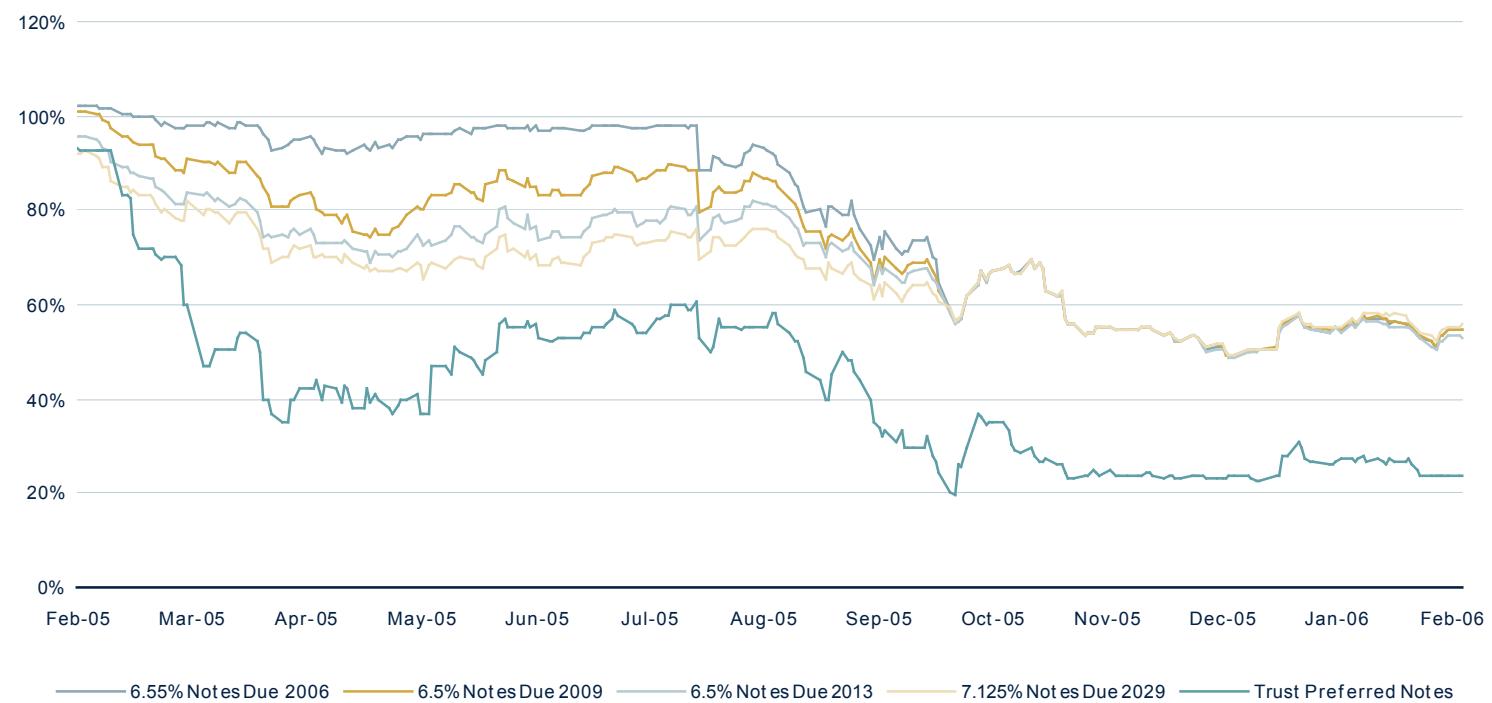
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Exhibit C

Delphi Corporation

Recent debt pricing

One year historical pricing



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Delphi Corporation

Recent stock pricing and market capitalization

One year stock price



One year market capitalization (\$ in millions)



EXHIBIT F

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DEBTORS' STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO MOTION DIRECTING
APPOINTMENT OF GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION TO
STATUTORY CREDITORS' COMMITTEE

Delphi Corporation ("Delphi") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates (the "Affiliate Debtors"), debtors and debtors-in-possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), hereby submit this statement (the "Statement") in response to the Motion For Order Directing Appointment Of General Motors Corporation to Statutory Creditors' Committee (the "Motion") filed on February 17, 2006 by General Motors Corporation ("GM"). The Debtors respectfully represent as follows:

1. When these cases were initially filed, Delphi did not support General Motors' request for appointment to the Creditors' Committee because of GM's relationship to Delphi as its former parent and largest customer, the legacy contractual agreements between the two companies, and the unique role that GM was expected to play in the resolution of Delphi's legacy obligations in its North American operations. After their chapter 11 filings, the Debtors have engaged in extensive and ongoing discussions with GM about labor and supplier issues and other matters of common concern, and although no final agreements have been reached, progress has been made.¹ Delphi also has not participated in, and neither supported nor opposed, GM's subsequent informal efforts to be added to the Creditors' Committee. Accordingly, the Debtors take no position on the merits of the Motion, which raises disagreements with the United States Trustee and primarily intercreditor issues with other stakeholders that are more appropriately addressed by the United States Trustee and the Creditors' Committee.

¹ For example, in October 2005, GM estimated that its contingent liability relating to benefit guarantees for certain Delphi employees ranged from zero to \$12 billion. In a January 26, 2006 press release, GM revised its estimate and now acknowledges that the liability will range from \$3.6 billion to \$12 billion.

2. However, while the Debtors are neutral with respect to the relief sought in the Motion, the Debtors affirmatively dispute many of the assertions, statements, and characterizations contained in the Motion including the subject matter highlighted below. In that regard, the Debtors fully reserve all of their rights with respect to all such factual and legal assertions, substantially all of which are superfluous and irrelevant to the relief sought in the Motion. Moreover, the Debtors request that any Order entered in connection with the Motion specifically recognize the Debtors' reservation of rights and refrain from making any findings of fact or conclusions of law with respect to such assertions.

3. As a threshold matter, the Debtors disagree with GM's suggestion that the process that the U.S. Trustee employed in selecting the members of the Committee was arbitrary and capricious or that she otherwise "abused" her discretion. The Debtors also reserve all their rights with respect to all of GM's Prepetition Claims (as that term is defined in the Motion) and should not be viewed as agreeing with GM's statements about them.

4. In addition, GM makes a number of superfluous and irrelevant statements regarding its supply arrangements and contractual agreements with the Debtors. See, e.g., Motion ¶ 6. Because none of these statements is particularly relevant to the merits of the Motion, the Debtors will not address GM's assertions here.² Finally, although this Statement in response to the Motion is not the occasion to brief the merits of whatever motions to reject executory contracts or leases with GM that circumstances may

² As discussed in paragraph 2 of this Statement, the Debtors specifically reserve their rights with regard to all issues relating to GM including their contractual relations with GM.

require the Debtors to file, GM's assertion, in a footnote, that Delphi will never be entitled to reject any GM contracts, including purchase orders between GM and Delphi (see Motion ¶ 11 n. 3), is plainly wrong.³

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³ Section 365(a) authorizes the Debtors to review their inventory of executory contracts and decide "which ones would be beneficial to adhere to and which ones would be beneficial to reject." Orion Pictures Corp. v. Showtime Networks, Inc. (In re Orion Pictures Corp.), 4 F.3d 1095, 1098 (2d Cir. 1993). The Debtors intend to exercise that authority and to make an informed business judgment about rejecting executory contracts, be they with GM or anyone else. See In re The Penn Traffic Co., 322 B.R. 63, 68 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2005) ("It is well established that the decision whether to assume or reject an executory contract under Section 365(a) is a matter of business judgment to be exercised in the best interests of the debtor in possession and its creditors."). The Debtors' agnosticism about GM's present Motion should not be taken to presage their future beliefs about rejecting GM contracts or about the terms and conditions they will require in GM contracts succeeding those that have expired or that are rejected.